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Japan's Foreign Policy Disclosed In Diet

FRANCE, RUSSIA WARNED BY FOREIGN MINISTER

CLOSED "OPEN" DOOR IN CHINA

TOKYO, Jan. 21. THE FOREIGN MINISTER, Mr. H. Arita, delivered his speech on Foreign Affairs at the re-opening of the seventy-fourth Diet to-day, after its New Year recess.

In his speech, Mr. Arita reiterated that Japan's foreign policy was based upon the promotion of the interests and welfare of the peoples of Japan, China and Manchukuo.

The Japanese Foreign Minister issued a warning that "proper steps" would be taken regarding the conveyance of arms through French Indo-China and other territories.

He gave an indication that a new "Central Government" would shortly be formed in China, and referred to the flight from Chungking of Wang Ching-wei.

PEACE PLAN REITERATED

Japan, he reiterated, sought neither Chinese territory nor indemnity for the cost of military operations. He declared that Japan would respect the sovereignty of China and was "prepared to give practical consideration to the question of the abolition of extraterritoriality and the rendition of foreign Concessions and Settlements."

Mr. Arita's speech leaves no doubt that, in the event of a Japanese victory, restrictions against Third Powers will continue after the termination of hostilities.

"If we are to embark on the creation of a new order in East Asia through 'mutual assistance'... it will be necessary to enforce certain restrictions and regulations in spheres having a vital bearing on the national defence and economic independence of Japan, Manchukuo and China," he declared. "But these measures will be confined to minimum requirements."

Mr. Arita warned Soviet Russia that Japan was prepared to take appropriate steps when it comes to a question of protecting her legitimate vested rights and interest. The speech, in part, is as follows: "At the time when Japan's international relations are becoming increasingly strained, we must be

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MR. H. ARITA

Anglo-U.S. Supremacy At Sea Stressed

TOKYO, Jan. 20. A WARNING that Japan must envisage a combined stand by Great Britain, the United States, France and Soviet Russia, in which the navies of those Powers would play a prominent part, was contained in a pamphlet issued by the Publicity Bureau of the Japanese Admiralty to-day.

The pamphlet declares that the four democracies are standing behind China.

Great Britain and the United States, it declares, have recently increased political and economic pressure on Japan.

"Simultaneously, Great Britain and the United States are redoubling their efforts to expand their armaments.

NEW U.S. NAVY

"The new American naval plan will give the United States the most formidable fleet in the world—a navy of 2,250,000 tons, with thirty battleships and ten aircraft carriers as a nucleus."

"The British re-armament programme will give England a navy of 2,000,000 tons by 1942."

"The Soviet Union has the largest submarine fleet in the world. Of its fleet, sixty submarines have been assigned to the Far East. In addition, Soviet Russia has under construction two battleships of 35,000 tons and seven cruisers of 8,000 tons."

"In attempting to build up a new order in East Asia, we must be

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H.K. ROAD FATALITIES Carelessness Caused Most Accidents

DRIVERS OF PRIVATE cars were responsible for the majority of traffic fatalities and accidents in Hongkong last year.

Lorry drivers, however, were more often involved in accidents.

One hundred and fifteen people were killed and 1,647 were injured as a result of the accidents. The totals are the highest ever recorded in Hongkong.

The drivers of private cars were involved in 1,007 accidents, representing an average of one accident for every two private cars registered in the Colony.

Although there are only 945 lorries in the Colony, this type of vehicle was responsible for 1,065 accidents.

The Colony's 85 trams were involved in 388 accidents. Public cars, and taxis, of which

A.R.P. In Hongkong

Women As Well As Men Volunteer For War-Time Work

WOMEN AS WELL as men are being recruited in Hongkong's new force—the Air Raid Wardens—for service in wartime. About 2,000 women are required in the total force of 6,000 wardens being recruited.

"The Great War definitely proved that women had as much courage as men and we are encouraging them to register for voluntary service," said the Hongkong Air Raids Precautions Officer, Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele Perkins this morning.

"Of the three people at each of the 2,000 Air Raid Posts in the Colony, we contemplate having two men and one woman.

Recruiting will be from the ranks of "responsible" men and women of any age.

Air Raid Wardens, said Wing Commander Steele-Perkins, must be well-known and persons to whom other people look up to in the many A.R.P. districts that are being formed.

They should be full of resource and initiative, and be able to inspire others with confidence.

NO AGE LIMIT

Although there is no age limit, the A.R.P. organisation would naturally prefer men or women over 30 years of age. All nationalities are asked to enrol.

Wardens will work from fixed posts. In times of war they would report the fall of bombs to head-quarters and would assist first-aid personnel and other A.R.P. services which may be called to any scene of disaster. In addition A.R.P. wardens

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Floods In Two Hemispheres

Australia Suffers From New Terror

LONDON, Jan. 20. FLOODS ARE continuing in England.

Hundreds of acres are inundated in the Upper Thames districts, while extensive floods are also reported in the Midlands.

The position is somewhat easier in Yorkshire.

AUSTRALIA, TOO

From Australia it is reported that serious floods are occurring in Western Australia, simultaneously with Victoria's greatest drought in 27 years.

Although slight rain has aided fire-fighters in quelling Victoria's great fires—the most extensive since Black Thursday eighty years ago—falls have been insufficient to bring relief to the drought areas.

On the other hand, cloud-bursts and floods have caused extensive damage east of Kalgoorlie, the great gold-mining centre in Western Australia. The trans-Continental railway has been washed away at several places and several towns and mines have been inundated.

The washing away of roads and bridges has completely blocked all road traffic and unless the rains cease the food shortage in some centres will become desperate.

RECORD TEMPERATURES

"Victoria's toll in the great bush fires totalled 67. In addition, over a hundred people died from heat prostration."

Record temperatures registered in the capitals during the heat wave were 117.5 at Adelaide, 117.1 in Sydney and 114.7 at Melbourne.

Temperatures exceeding 120 degrees were recorded in several country towns in the three states.

Although there are 350 registered, there are 1,647

accidents to each bus!

Rickshaws appeared to be the safest method of locomotion. Although there are 600 rickshaws in the Colony, they were involved in only 120 accidents.

The Colony's 291 motor cycles succeeded in producing 102 accidents.

Nearly all accidents involving collisions between vehicles (there were 1,769 cases) resulted from carelessness driving.

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Ten Million Starving In North China

LONDON, Jan. 20. AT LEAST 10,000,000 people in Shantung, Shansi, and Hopei are destitute, stated Dr. H. R. Williamson, chairman of the Shantung Relief Committee, who has just returned to London from carrying out investigations in North China.

He made the statement at a conference of British missionary societies.

He said that there were only 20 mission hospitals in those provinces dealing with hundreds and thousands of patients, who had not even money for food.—Reuters.

Plans For Hongkong Disclosed

HONGKONG PLANS for the next few years contemplate many large-scale improvements and large buildings, according to an article by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, recently published in the "Crown Colonist."

His Excellency also reveals that the solution of the gigantic problem of overcrowding is under close examination.

The Government is contemplating advance in other parts of the administrative field.

A new sub-department is being set up in the Colony to deal with the problem of labour and the promotion of the welfare of manual workers, in the light of modern practice.

Education and health are under review with a view to their expansion. Measures taken with the object of protecting certain classes of women and girls are making rapid progress.

His Excellency states in the article, which is entitled "The role of Hongkong in the Pacific" that large-scale improvements and new buildings contemplated for the Colony will, it is hoped, be financed from revenue.

His Excellency draws attention to the fact that Hongkong will celebrate its centenary as a British Colony in 1941.

OUR DEAREST HOPE

"Her dearest hope to-day is that, when that day arrives, the troubles of the present will have long been

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American Naval Bases Near Japanese Islands

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.

THE BILL INTRODUCED in Congress to-day provides for the construction and fortification of twelve new American naval bases.

These include, in addition to Guam Island, Midway and Wake Island, on the California-Hongkong air route, Alaskan and Floridian ports, Hawaii and Porto Rico.

Fortification of Guam Island is estimated to cost U.S.\$6,500,000.

No fortification will be done at Guam Island in the current fiscal year, however, the appropriation providing only for the dredging of the harbour. The submarine and warplane base will be completed in 1942. Guam, it is pointed out, is less than 1,300 miles from Japan and approximately the same distance from the Philippines. It lies inside the Japanese mandate area.

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MAP showing relation of Guam and Wake Islands to Japanese mandate islands.

mean that the project would ultimately be completed. A change in world conditions might permit abandonment of the whole project.

The same report claims that

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WOMAN DECOY FACED DEATH

Apologised, Told Natives "Some Other Time"

"I was sorry to disappoint them this time, I said, but would come again when I had more leisure."

ANYBODY from a potential bazaar-opener to a man who had escaped a prison sentence might have said it. But in this case the speaker was Miss Freya Stark, explorer, describing her reply to a native chief's intimation that with great difficulty his men had been persuaded not to shoot her.

Bravado was not the explanation of Miss Stark's cool attitude. She told the Royal Geographical Society recently:

"I was rather stupid with fatigue and thought they meant a friendly reception with rifles let off as 'feux de joie!'"

Then she realised from the looks of those around her that there had been a "misunderstanding."

But she did not give herself away, and the reception committee went off with a high opinion of the equanimity of the female European.

"I WAS A DECOY"

This happened in Southern Arabia when she was travelling with a camel caravan and bodyguard of 12 native soldiers.

They persuaded her to go to a little town called Bir Ali to obtain a boat.

"What they did not mention," she said, "was that they had a long-standing war with Bir Ali. They hoped that any trouble I might get into would bring down vengeance from the R.A.F. on their enemy."

"Quite innocently I was being led as a decoy into hostile territory..."

Miss Stark said that during another part of her journey when she was alone she slept one afternoon under a tree, and woke to find a tribesman sitting beside her, watching her quietly.

MERELY A ROMP AT HANLEY

STOKE-ON-TRENT'S Watch Committee were told recently that at a public dance at Hanley the following requests were made:

Ladies wearing earrings are requested to leave the floor.

Ladies not wearing corsets are requested to leave the floor.

Gentlemen are requested to turn trousers above the knee.

Ladies are requested to take suspender from gentleman partner's leg.

Ladies are requested to take gentleman partner's coat and wear it.

Ladies are requested to loosen front braces of gentleman partner's trousers and dance holding the trousers from the back.

Gentlemen now race on hands, while feet are held by ladies.

There was a disturbance at the dance, and a man was hit in the face while attempting to protect another dancer.

The Chief Constable, Mr. F. L. Bunn, said that a constable on duty at the dance had submitted a report about the disturbance, but made no reference to other matters.

He would see the promoter of the dance and express the feelings of the Watch Committee.

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James Roosevelt, eldest son of the President, is shown at his new job in Hollywood, receiving instructions from Samuel Goldwyn, Jr. Jim recently became vice president of Samuel Goldwyn, Inc. When asked if his salary was \$50,000, Jim said that was a high figure. He formerly received \$10,000 as his father's secretary.

Man Fell In Cruise Liner, Awarded £6,000

A 6ft. 7in. tall man who slipped and broke a leg on a cruise in the Arandora Star in May 1937, was wheeled into the King's Bench Division recently and heard the jury award him £6,000 damages against the Blue Star Line.

88-Year-Old Duke In A Film

The eighty-eight-year-old Duke of Connaught is to take part in a film with boys of the Royal Albert Orphanage, Camberley, Surrey.

The film, which will show the work of the orphanage, is being made by members of the Windleham Camera Club, of which the Duke is president.

The Duke has been president of the orphanage for more than thirty years.



It was said that two hours after the cruise began Mr. Reginald Alexander Beaumont Thomas, of Bushey Heath, Herts, fell in a corridor which was washed by a steward.

His right leg was broken and he was crippled for life.

Mr. Thomas claimed that the washing of the corridor floor with what appeared to be soapy water was a "trap," of which warning should have been given.

He alleged negligence, which the company denied.

They pleaded that they were protected by a condition attached to the issue of the ticket that they would not be liable for any negligence in the management of the ship.

Mr. H. I. P. Hallett, K.C., who called no evidence for the defence, asked: What more warning could a person want than the sight of a man on his knees with a pail before him in the act of washing the floor?

The jury's award of £6,000 included £1,000 agreed special damages, but Lord Hewart said that before entering judgment he would hear legal arguments on the question whether the Blue Star Line were protected by the conditions attached to the ticket issued for the cruise. Those arguments would be heard on a day to be fixed.

JEWS MUSSOLINI WANTS TO FORGET

While Mussolini decrees measures against Jews in Italy, Jews are being used, ironically, to bolster up Italy's territorial claims in Tunis.

Mussolini says that Italy should have Tunis, largely because when France took over in 1881 there was "a vast majority of Italian residents"—11,200 Italian subjects and only 700 Frenchmen.

But more than 10,000 of the Italians were of the Jewish race.

Being Called Jews

COMPLAINING that they had been described as Jews in a letter to Germany, an agent and his son brought a libel action in the King's Bench Division recently.

Mr. Valentine Holmes, for the plaintiffs, said they were Mr. Samuel Helfert, principal in the firm of average agents carrying on business in the name of Wendt and Company, and his son, who was employed by the firm.

Wendt and Company represented all the most important German insurance and ship-owning companies.

The plaintiffs complained of a letter which the defendant, Mr. Clyde, wrote to a high official of a German shipping company, in which he stated that they were Jews.

EVEN SUSPICION

The present position in Germany was such that, even if there was suspicion that a man was a Jew, he would lose the whole of his business if it were of the kind in which the plaintiffs were engaged.

Mr. Helfert and his son were not Jews and had no Jewish blood. It was important to them in their business that that should be made clear.

Mr. Clyde, having ascertained that he was completely in error in making the statement, had taken the very proper course of writing a letter of apology to each of the plaintiffs, and to the official to whom he had sent the offending letter.

He had also agreed to pay a substantial sum as damages to the plaintiffs and to indemnify them in respect of the costs they had incurred.

SINCERE REGRET

Mr. A. J. Hodgson, for Mr. Clyde, said he unreservedly withdrew the statement, which he unfortunately made under a complete misapprehension. He desired to express his sincere regret to the plaintiffs.

Mr. Justice Asquith allowed the record in the case to be withdrawn on the terms agreed.

"WE CAN'T TREAT JEWS HERE!"

Mother Flew To London For Baby

A Jewish wife in Vienna, expecting a baby, went in vain from hospital to hospital. "We can't treat Jews here!" she was told.

The Jewish Hospital in Vienna was full, and hardly any Jewish doctors were left there.

A special appeal was made to the Home Office in London, and by their permission, the expectant mother—Mrs. Francisca Neumann, wife of a Jewish cattle farmer near Vienna—was flown to Croydon.

She was taken to the Jewish Maternity Home, Underwood-street, London, E., where her baby, a boy, was born.

The secretary of the home, Mr. L. Model, said "Mrs. Neumann was in terrible distress. Our Jewish refugee committee made a special application to the Home Office, and we were only just in time to save her."

"German doctors would not treat her. Wherever her husband went for help his way was barred."

"Now they are living in room somewhere in London."

TOWN REVIVES CURFEW

CAMERON, Mo. City officials have revived the curfew law here again. A bell at 9 p.m. each night warns children under 16 to get off the streets unless they are accompanied by their parents.

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‘Merry Widow,’ £345 in Debt, Sings Her Old Songs

Blonde Who Was ‘Sacked’

TWO actresses stepped recently out of the grim buildings that make up London’s Bankruptcy Courts—one a young blonde, her head downcast; the other, silver-haired, humming the French song from “La Veuve Joyeuse” (“The Merry Widow”), which made her the rage of Paris in 1908.

*Je ne connais votre Paris
Que depuis peu de jours,
Et je vous trouve trop d'esprit
Pour croire à votre amour.*

The blonde was Gwen Wyndham, who went on the stage in 1922. She had debts of £224, assets of £27. She told the court she had had no engagements for two years, that she relied for her keep on her mother, who allowed her £4 or £5 a week.

In 1935 her mother lent her £225, which she handed to a friend in return for a half-share in the profits of the play “Lover’s Leap.” “I was an artist in the play,” she said, “but after a few weeks I was given the sack.”

She sued her friend for £61 and obtained judgment, but this was reversed on appeal. Her bankruptcy was due to inability to pay her own and her friend’s costs, amounting to £24.

Her companion in misfortune was of another generation—Annette Constance Randall-Stevens, known on the stage as Constance Drever, belle of Edwardian days, now fifty-eight. Her debts were £345, her assets—nothing.

She told the court her sole income was £400 a year from a trust fund, that she would repay the debt to her bank—the sole creditor—by £80 a year, the amount of her income tax refund.

Her examination concluded, she waltzed gaily down the corridor,

Deadly Gas Halts Hiccoughs

Oakland, Cal.
Physicians at the Alameda County Hospital have successfully used carbon monoxide gas for stopping a prolonged case of hiccoughing after all other means had failed. Their theory is that the gas deflates the diaphragm and relieves irritation.

Rare 7-Leaf Clover

Lima, O.
The seven-leaf clover, not the four-leaf variety, is the true rarity of that plant, according to Harold Bly, New Hampshire, O. farmer. Bly said he found 40 four-leaf and 20 five-leaf clovers on his farm in a single day, but that he had seen only one seven-leaf clover in his life.

past puzzled ushers and equally puzzled solicitors’ clerks. She said: “To think of it—in the Bankruptcy Court for a few hundred pounds! And I used to earn £200 a week when the stage was the stage.”

Born in India, a colonel’s daughter, Constance Drever ran away from home at sixteen to go on the stage.

“I got my first big chance in 1903 in ‘A Princess of Kensington’ at the Savoy,” she said. “Agnes Fraser, the star, fell ill two days before the show opened, and I took her place. “Five pounds a week was the salary. I used to bring down the house with the song, ‘Little Princess, look up, look up!’ Walter Passmore and Harry Lytton (the late Sir Henry Lytton) were in the cast.

“But the part I created was Nadya in the French version of ‘The Merry Widow’ at the Apollo in Paris.”

And off she stepped on her husband’s arm—he, too, is a singer—humming that haunting tune from “The Merry Widow”—Villa, O Villa, O mon cher tourment. . . .”



Riot occurring in Tunis, after the demand in the Italian Chamber of Deputies that Tunisia be ceded to Italy by France, resulted in much property damage in the north African city. Above, policemen stand guard at an Italian travel bureau where a window was smashed by rioters.

Coyote Led To Bounty

Oakland, Cal.
Tony Briceno knows how to bring ‘em back alive when it comes to coyotes. Unable to run one down with his car because the animal kept too close to a fence, he turned his headlights on so that it would be blinded by the glare, jumped out of the car, picked the coyote up by the tail, while keeping his foot on its head, took off his belt and fastened it around the coyote’s neck and led it to the county clerk’s office to collect \$2.50 bounty.

Good Samaritan Robbed

Oakland, Cal.
Mrs. Julia Donlap, partly blind, is an ardent believer that modern “good Samaritans” should go armed. She was trying to find a room for a substitute Negro woman when she was held up and robbed of \$23 by a Negro.

Wealthy Child Dies In Lift

CHRISTOPHER Coats, four-years-old member of the famous Paisley cotton family, crashed 50ft. to death down the lift shaft at a block of luxury flats in Lowndes-street, Chelsea recently.

The boy, who had always been fascinated by lifts, had just returned from an afternoon walk with his nurse, and was about to enter his parents’ flat.

He had been lifted out of his pram when suddenly, according to a member of the staff, he darted across the hall towards the lift.

Before anyone could stop him he entered and pressed the button. The lift shot up three or four floors.

Then, in trying to get out, he apparently rolled under the lift and crashed to the bottom of the shaft.

LIFT SEALED

Dr. H. Beckett Overy, who lives opposite the flats, was called, but the boy was dead when he arrived.

The lift was closed and sealed by the police later, pending inquiries.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. S. Coats, the boy’s parents, have lived at the flat for about six months.

When told of the tragedy Mrs. Coats left with a maid to stay with friends near by. Capt. Coats remained in the building.

They have another child, a daughter aged 2½.

MOST-TRAVELED BABY

When he was one year old Christopher Coats was one of the world’s most-traveled babies. He went with his parents on a round-the-world tour.

His father is the son of a director of the famous Paisley sewing thread firm. His mother was Miss Bessie Horlick, daughter of the late Sir Ernest Horlick, and Lady Oppenheimer, and their wedding at Southwark Cathedral in October 1933, was one of the most spectacular of the year.

There were sixteen bridesmaids wearing gowns of white velvet and scarves in blue, green and gold.

Miss Horlick designed the wedding cake herself. Before her marriage she attended L.C.C. classes for arts and crafts, studying architecture, house planning, decorating and pottery.

Mr. Coats’ parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Coats, live at Sundrum, Ayrshire.

Girl Has 34th Fracture

Springfield, Mo.
Doris June Williamson, 10, has suffered the 34th fracture of a bone. Physicians said she “would grow out of it.”



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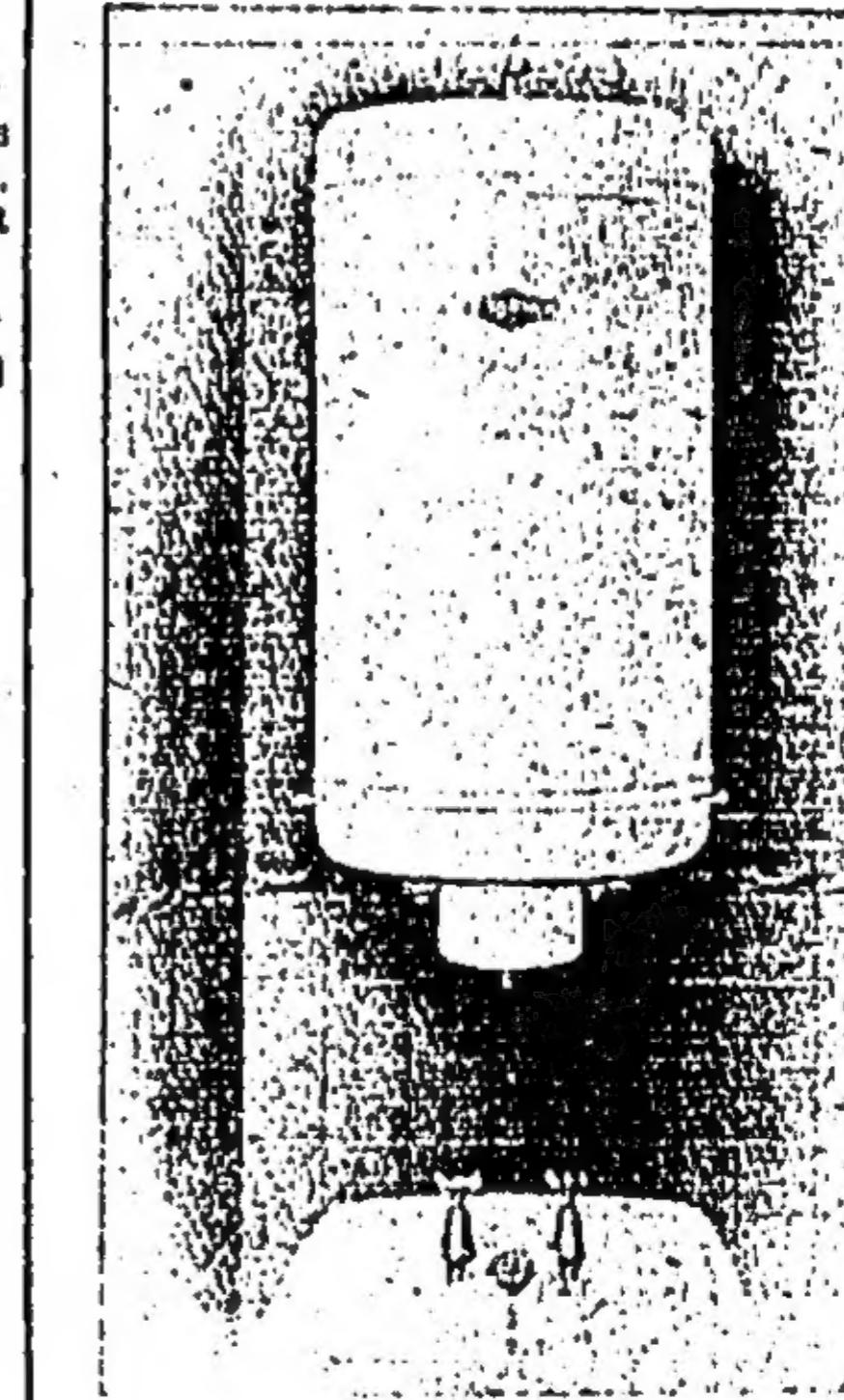
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A dance for former pupils of the Central British School will be held in the School Hall (by permission of the Headmaster and Staff) on Saturday, 11th February from 9.00 p.m. Tickets (\$1.50, including light refreshments) and further information may be obtained from:

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Notice is hereby given that Mr. Reginald Andrew Wickerson has this day been appointed Secretary and Manager of this Company, in the place of Mr. J. C. Gutierrez.

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Hongkong, 16th January, 1939.

**STRANGE
MID-OCEAN
SHIPWRECK****Tanker Breaks In
Two At Sea**

LONDON, Jan. 20. A STRANGE DRAMA was enacted in mid-Atlantic to-day, when the crew of a Norwegian oil tanker were rescued.

The tanker, which was en route to the United States, suddenly broke in two.

The tragedy occurred so suddenly that there was no time to send out distress signals by radio.

Fortunately, seven members of the crew were picked up in an open lifeboat by another ship which, luckily, happened to be in the vicinity.

They were able to tell of the disaster that had overcome their vessel.

A search was immediately instituted and, several hours later, the other thirty members of the crew were found, clinging to the half of the oil-tanker which had not sunk.

It transpired that the floating half of the ship had been kept from sinking by its cargo of oil.

HITLER DROPS THE (Finance) PILOT

Dismissal Of Schacht Creates Sensation

ALL BERLIN to-day is trying to discover the reason for Dr. Schacht's retirement from the Reichsbank presidency, which has been kept secret.

Herr Hitler received Dr. Schacht this morning, and thanked him for his loyalty to the Third Reich.

There had been nothing in Dr. Schacht's appearance or attitude yesterday to indicate that he anticipated to-day's events. On the other hand it is understood in well-informed circles that the reorganisation announced to-day had been subject to deliberation at a meeting of the German Cabinet at which Dr. Schacht himself was present.

It is denied on all sides that the change was the result of any differences with regard to the handling of Germany's finances and economy. Official circles insist that the real reason is the one announced, namely the desirability of unifying the financial and economic command of the nation.

EFFECT ON BOURSE

The Berlin Bourse withstood the change better than expected, and business improved towards the end, and the markets generally closed.

No change is anticipated in the Government's attitude to Germany's foreign indebtedness, including the Dawes and Young loans.

Regarding the talks on Jewish emigration, it was hinted in usually reliable quarters that Dr. Schacht might still proceed with the talks.

FUNK'S TASK OUTLINED

Berlin, Jan. 20. On the occasion of a change in the Reichsbank presidency, Herr Adolf

THE GOVERNOR AND HONGKONG — From Page 1

**Colony's Role In
The Pacific**

under the scheme of Empire preference, which are within his reach.

NATURE'S HAND

"Another aspect on which Hongkong is making a growing claim to the outside world's regard is its attractiveness as a winter resort. There were several months in the year when it is no exaggeration to describe the climate as ideal; with that, the many comfortable hotels, the never-ending and ever-varying loveliness of its scenery, the golf links, the sailing, the riding and all other forms of sport and enjoyment which the visitor finds available, combine to offer a winter home which can have few parallels elsewhere."

ATTRACTION TO TOURISTS

"Hongkong's economic history has been one of ups and downs, owing to causes outside the Colony's control. As an entrepot of trade she is dependent on world conditions, and she is subject occasionally to Nature's destroying hand."

"Thus the two typhoons of 1936 and 1937 cost the Government alone probably a million and a half dollars, while the damage to private property and shipping probably greatly exceed these figures; and a series of thunderstorms on July 19, 1926, produced 21 in. of rain in 24 hours, entailing a million dollars worth of repair.

"But despite these heavy and sometimes sustained blows of fortune, many admirable and costly public works have been carried through in the past or are now in process; and the plans for the next few years contemplate many large-scale improvements and new buildings, funds for which it is hoped will be found from revenue."

OVERCROWDING EVIL

"One much-needed measure may not be so easily financed, however. As is to be expected in a seaport, where, on the one hand, building land is very scarce, being principally the result of reclamation, and, on the other, there has been swift population-growth in days when such

questions had little or no attention — very serious overcrowding conditions exist. The solution of this gigantic problem is under close examination at the present time."

"In other parts of the administrative field Government is contemplating advance; a new sub-department is about to be set up to deal with the problems of labour and the promotion of the welfare of manual workers. In the light of advanced modern practice, and the two great social services, education and health, are under review with a view to their expansion."

"As a producer of raw materials Hongkong, the total area of which, inclusive of the Leased Territories, is less than 400 square miles, cannot be expected to rank high; nevertheless she has been able to find a home for many manufacturing industries, notably shipbuilding, for which the Colony is famous throughout the East."

"For the most part, however, the local factories aim at supplying the poorer consumer in other parts of the world, and especially in the British Empire, by manufacturing for his use a supply of goods, fully qualified

T. B. Becomes Notifiable Disease

TUBERCULOSIS becomes a notifiable disease in Hongkong as a result of an amendment to the Quarantine and Prevention of Disease Ordinance, states the Government "Gazette" this morning.

It is explained that under the amendment tuberculosis is to be included within the expression "infectious disease" in the Ordinance, and the effect of this notification is to make tuberculosis a notifiable disease.

There are now 16 notifiable diseases in Hongkong, tuberculosis being added to the following existing list: plague, cholera, small-pox, diphtheria, scarlet fever, enteric fever, relapsing fever, paratyphoid fever, measles, chicken-pox, meningitis, typhus, dysentery, puerperal fever, and rabies, both human and animal.

JAPAN'S FOREIGN POLICY — Continued From Page 1

**Restrictions In China
If Japan Wins War**

to limit to the necessary minimum all restrictions on the economic activities of other Powers under the proposed system for Japan, Manchukuo and China.

"It is hoped and expected that the Powers concerned will understand the true intentions of Japan and extend active co-operation in the task of constructing the new order in East Asia."

RIGHTS OF THIRD POWERS

"It is regrettable that the China affair has given rise to circumstances prejudicial to the individual rights and interests of the nationals of other Powers in China, or in placing restrictions on their residence and travel."

"That these circumstances have been unavoidable owing to military necessities is, I believe, appreciated by all."

"On the other hand, the Japanese Government, following careful attention to the matter, followed the policy of expediting the settlement of pending cases as far as was permitted by circumstances, and as soon as necessary investigations were completed, Al ready not a few cases have thus been satisfactorily settled."

THREAT TO FRENCH

"As regards the reported conveyance of arms through French Indo-China and other territories the Japanese Government have from time to time called the attention of the Government concerned to the matter; and when necessary proper steps will be taken."

"The Provincial Government and Reformed Government at Peking and Nanking respectively and the Autonomous Government of Mongolia are all making healthy progress and steadily winning popular support and confidence."

"A joint commission has been formed by the Provisional and Reformed Governments; and movements are coming to a head in Hankow and Canton for the establishment of other local governments."

"It is hoped that a new Central Government may be speedily organised and co-operate with us for the settlement of the present conflict."

WANG'S FLIGHT

"As for the recent flight from Chungking of certain leaders of the so-called peace faction in the Chiang Kai-shek regime, the Government are watching carefully for the consequent developments."

RELATIONS WITH SOVIET

"Our relations with the Soviet Union became extremely strained at the time of the Changkufeng affair, which, however, was settled through an appropriate action on our part before it assumed serious proportions."

"In North Szechuan, illegal interference with our concession rights pertaining to oil and coal have not ceased as yet, rendering the exercise of those rights more and more difficult."

"As regards the fishery question, although we continued to exert our utmost efforts for the conclusion of the treaty, the draft of which has long been mutually agreed upon, negotiations have failed owing to the questions which have been injected into the discussions by the Soviet Government and which have no relevance to the fishery treaty."

"In December last, the Government entered into negotiations for the renewal of the modus vivendi which was to expire at the end of the year."

"But even in this case the Soviet Government put forward and insisted upon many unreasonable conditions so that no agreement could be reached before the year end."

"It was therefore decided to carry over negotiations to this year after requesting the Soviet Government to take no measures that might affect the status quo of the fishery situation."

APPROPRIATE STEPS

"While it is expected that the Soviet Government will negotiate with sincerity and that ultimately a satisfactory agreement will be arrived at, Japan is of course prepared to take appropriate steps

when it comes to a question of protecting her legitimate vested rights and interests."

"The causes of present international anxiety and unrest are certainly many and complex. But there is no doubt the principal cause lies essentially in efforts to maintain a status quo which is actually not in accordance with just and fair attempts made from selfish motives to stifle the development and progress of newly-risen Powers."

"The establishment of a new East Asian order as proposed by Japan, being based on sound ethical principles and in conformity with international justice will, I am convinced, serve to promote friendship between the countries of East Asia and other Powers by putting their relations on a truly sound footing, and it will thus serve to bring real peace to the world."

"Since there are still some who entertain misapprehensions and doubt in this regard, it is incumbent upon us all firmly and resolute to walk fearlessly along the path of righteous policy." — Domel.

REICH TO BUILD NEW SUB. FLEET

LONDON, Jan. 20.

BRITAIN HAS RECEIVED the German note confirming the intention to achieve parity with the Empire's submarine tonnage, and also confirming Germany's intention to build five 10,000 ton cruisers, armed with eight-inch guns.

The note is the result of the recent Anglo-German naval conversations in Berlin, after Germany's announcement of her intention to invoke the right to increase her tonnages.

The British Empire now has about 70,000 tons of submarines built, or in the process of being built, and Germany has about 30,000 tons. Therefore Germany, by achieving parity, will more than double her present fleet of submarines.

Naval experts estimate the Germany, when she achieves parity with Britain, will have as many as 100 submarines. Germany has just decided to put eight-inch guns on

10,000 ton cruiser Seydlitz which is under construction. Two other 10,000 ton cruisers with eight-inch guns have already been built, and Germany intends to build two more cruisers of the same category.

United Press.

WOMEN AS WELL AS MEN VOLUNTEER FOR WAR-TIME WORK

(Continued from Page 1.)

would help the inmates of any house which may suffer.

In times of peace, it will be the duty of Wards to get to know the inhabitants of their districts and to give advice to every householder in that district regarding the methods which should be adopted in making buildings gas-proof and splinter-proof.

LISTS OF SHELTERS

A.R.P. Wardens will have in their possession a complete list of all shelters which are available for the public.

Air Raid sub-committees will be co-ordinated with the police and sanitary inspectors, but A.R.P. Wardens will work exclusively in their own districts.

A.R.P. Posts are even being set up in Hongkong harbour, and every ship which makes regular calls at the Colony is advised how to make itself a self-contained A.R.P. unit.

In times of emergency, Masters of such ships would appoint Wardens whose duties will be exactly the same as those of Wardens ashore.

"Twenty-two A.R.P. sub-committees have already been formed in Hongkong, and recruits are steadily coming forward to be trained as A.R.P. Wardens," Wing Commander Steele-Perkins told the "Telegraph."

INSTRUCTORS READY

"I am glad to be able to say that there are now eight instructors fully qualified to teach Wardens their duties."

"Already I have on my books the names of approximately 800 men and women who have volunteered to serve as Air Raid Wardens."

"I feel sure that we will be able to get the 6,000 men and women required for this service when the sub-committees start their drives for recruits within their own districts."

EXAMINATION ARRANGED FOR WARDENS

The following examinations will be held at the Cathedral Hall at 10 a.m. on Monday, January 23, and on Monday, January 30, at 5.30 p.m. at the Helen May Institute: Anti-Gas, V. A. Courses, and St. John's Ambulance Brigade (Grade I Instruction).

Candidates who take and pass the first course may either join St. John's Ambulance Brigade or become Auxiliary members of the Brigade, and in the latter course, successful candidates would be earmarked for A.R.P. duties with

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11. K. T.
12.00-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Mozart—Concerto in G Minor, K. 491.

Edwin Fischer (Piano) and the London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Lawrence Collingwood.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano.

Gone (film "Love On The Run"); I'm Delighted To See You Again (Hackforth); It's A Long, Long Way To Your Heart (Brandt); Once In A While (Edwards).

1.15 Vivian Ellis (Piano) and Al Bollington (Organ).

"Floodlight"—Piano Medley (Berkeley Nichols); Vivian Ellis (Piano); Escapada (A Mexican Elopement—Phillips) Al Bollington

playing on the Organ of the Paramount Theatre, London; Let Me Play—By Vivian Ellis (in which the Composer introduces some of his best known tunes).... Vivian Ellis (Piano); Bell Medley.... Anton and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra with Al Bollington (Organ).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Mary Ellis (Soprano) and the London Palladium Orchestra.

Selection Of Operatic Gems (arr. Forbes).... The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by William E. Peters; Glamorous Night (From same); When The Gipsy Played ("Glamorous Night"—Novello) Mary Ellis (Soprano) accomp. by the Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra cond. by Charles Prentice; Sanctuary Of The Heart (Ketelbey); The Sacred Hour (Ketelbey).... The London Palladium Orchestra with Male Quartet; Fold Your Wings ("Glamorous Night"—Novello).... Mary Ellis and Trevor Jones (Duet) accomp. by the Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra cond. by Charles Prentice; 25 Years Of Song (A Selection of Historical Song Successes).... The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Crean.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Modart—Symphony No. 41 in G Major "Jupiter".

The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Adrian Boult.

Commentary on Rugby Tie from London

"JUPITER" SYMPHONY

6.28 Excerpts from Mozart's Operas.

"Don Giovanni"—Overture....

State Orchestra, Berlin, cond. by Dr. Leo Blech; "Don Giovanni"—To My Lov'd, oh Bastet!.... Luigi Forte (Tenor) with Orchestra; "The Magic Flute"—Ah! I Know It.... Lily Pons (Soprano) with Orchestra cond. by John Barbirolli; "The Marriage of Figaro"—I'll Have Vengeance.... A. Kipnis (Bass) and E. Rutzecka (Mezzo-Soprano) and Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Erich Orlmann; "The Magic Flute"—Within these sacred halls.... Alexander Kipnis (Bass) and Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Clemens Schmitzsch; "Idomeneo"—Sinfonia Wind, folgt dem Turen.... V. von Schwitz (Soprano) with Orchestra.

8.35 Anton and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra.

"Follow The Fleet" Selection (Irving Berlin); Roy Noble Medley.... with Reginald Foote of the Orchestra Medley Of Past-Dobbs; "The Good Diggers Of '37"—Selection (Arlen and Young); "A Day At The Races"—Selection (Kahn, Karp and Jarmann).... with Al Bollington at the Organ.

8.50 London Relay—London Log.

9.00 An English and Welsh Programme.

Song of The Flood (Hralthog and Fyvhan); Olwen Mine (Crywya) William Edwards (Tenor) with Harp Accomp. by Telysone Gwynnyll (Sung in Welsh); The Lock—Selection.... The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Crean; O Peaceful England ("Merrill England"—German).... Eustace Ackland (Contralto) with Orchestra; "The Rose" (Selection of English Melodies—arr. Myddleton).... The London Palladium Orchestra conducted by Richard Crean; Rose Of England ("Crest of the Wave"—Novello) Edgar Elmes (Baritone) accomp. by Male Chorus and The Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra cond. by Charles Prentice.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.

(a) Silencio; (b) Maruja; (c) Lourdes; (d) Zapata.

10.05 Record: Musical Comedy Medley.... Sydney Gustard at the Organ.

10.10 (a) Careless; (b) Tullibay in Rhythm; (c) Make A Wish (d) Swing Low Sweet Chariot.

10.20 London Relay—England v. Wales.

A commentary on the International Rugby Union Football Match from Twickenham.

12.00 Midnight Close down.

TO-MORROW'S PROGRAMME

Beethoven—Symphony No. 2 In D. Major; Cn. 36
"AIDA" ACT 1

Radio Programme Broadcast by ZBW on a Frequency of 845 k.c.s. and on Short Wave from 10.30-2.30 p.m. and 8-10.30 p.m. on 9.32 m.c.s. per second.

H. K. T.

10.15-11.15 a.m. Relay of Morning Services from the Methodist Church.

11.15 p.m. Compositions of Grieg; Concerto In A Minor, Op. 16.... Arthur De Greef (Piano) and The Royal Albert Hall Orchestra cond. by Sir Landen Ronald; Un Reve.... Benjamin Gigli (Tenor) and the Berlin State Opera Orchestra and Bruno Solti-Winkler; A Swan, Op. 25, No. 2; It The Boat, Op. 60, No. 3; Kirsten Flagstad (Soprano) with Piano accomp. by Edwin McArthur; Norwegian Dancer In Yester, Op. 35.... Gustave Clozez and L'Orchestre Philharmonique De Paris.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.02 Webster Booth (Tenor) and Light Symphony Orchestra.

May Day Overture (Haydn Wood).... Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by The Composer; A Pird Song In The Rain (Haydn Wood).... Webster Booth (Tenor) with Orch; Valsette From "Wood Nymphs" (Eric Coates).

Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by The Composer; "Land Without Music"—Medley (O. Stroh).... Webster Booth (Tenor) with The London Threble Chorus; Honours March (Haydn Wood); Concert Waltz—"Jewelness" (Haydn Wood).... Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by The Composer.

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1.38 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.40 Verdi's "Aida" Act 1.

G. Aranell—Lombardi; Maria Canuana; Araldo; Lindli; Trancredi; Bassa; S. Baccanelli; G. Neesi and Full Chorus of La Scala, Milan, with The Milan Symphony Orchestra.

2.30 Close down.

2.00 Orchestrals.

Overture In D Minor (Handel, arr. Elgar).... London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Albert Coates.

2.05 London Relay—Royal Palaces.

2.10 Hamerton Court by L. Du Carle Peach. Produced by H. R. Peller.

2.15 Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

2.20 Ballet: "Evocation" (Luisit); You Shall Be The King Of My Heart (Sielzle).

2.25 Songs by John McCormack (Tenor).

Shannon River (Span-Moran); I Met An Angel (Span-Moran); Tonic With The Light Brown Hair (Foster).... with Piano accomp. by Edwin Schneider.

2.30 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

2.32 Liszt—Concerto No. 2 In A Major.

Ernest Petri (Piano) and the London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Leslie Howard.

2.35 Three Of Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsodies.

Hungarian Rhapsody No. 1 In F. London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Albert Coates; Hungarian Rhapsody No. 10.... Piano Solo by Anna Dorfmann; Hungarian Rhapsody No. 12.... Sir Hamilton Harty cond. the Hall's Orchestra.

2.50 Songs by Miliza Korjus (Soprano).

Invitation to the Dance (Weber); The Little Ring (from The Maiden's Wish—Schon);.... with the Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Franz Schonbaum sted.

2.55 Light Orchestral Concert.

With The Classics (arr. Sidney Clark); Alfredo Campoli and H. C. D'Ukra in—Descriptive (Ferrari); Impression—D'Oriente—Descriptive (Amadei).... Armando Di Primo and His Orch.; Liebesfeld (Kreisler); Liebesfreud (Kreisler);.... Vienna Boheme Orchestra; Five Festival—Polka (J. Strauss, Op. 269); The Singer's Joy—Polka (J. Strauss, Op. 328); Johann Strauss and Symphony Orch.

3.00 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

3.04 Beethoven—Symphony No. 2 In D Major, Op. 36.

Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Symphony Orchestra.

3.12 G. D. Cunningham at the Organ.

Toccata (from "Esquisses Byzantines"—Mulet); L'oreille (Wurstley).

3.19 Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue.

10.30 Close down.

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Husband Wins Seats Fight With Cinema

A MAN whose wife and mother went to the 3s. 6d. seats in the Leicester-square Theatre on October 24 objected recently to the cinema's licence being renewed. His claims were proved, and the L.C.C. Entertainments Committee renewed the licence for only two months.

At the end of two months a fresh application will be made.

Mr. J. O. May said that his wife and mother were shown to seats at the back of the circle.

They asked for nearer seats, and a male attendant said they could sit anywhere in the side blocks. They sat in the front row.

A girl attendant, however, told them they could not have these seats, as they were reserved. They moved back a few rows, but throughout the performance the reserved seats were empty.

LAST COMES FIRST

Mrs. May said that she was told at the box office that only 3s. 6d. seats were bookable. She did not like sitting in the back seats.

Mr. Norman Hart (for the theatre) said these two seats were always reserved in case of emergency.

A member of the committee asked why the last comers have the best seats? — Perhaps the last sometimes should come first.

A committee member: That is just what we want to protect the public from.

Mr. J. A. Webb, manager of the theatre, said two circle seats had been reserved at every performance for five years. Sometimes, through a misunderstanding with the office or booking library, there was a double booking of 3s. 6d. seats.

In such a case it was necessary to have good alternative seats. When they were occupied by his fid. patrons the 3s. extra was refunded.

The committee also heard a complaint from another cinema-goer, Mr. H. M. Lawrence, that he had to pay an extra 10s. for two seats at the Regal Cinema, Marble Arch, W., when cheaper seats were available.

CHEAPER SEATS

When he went to the Regal with his wife and bought two 3s. 6d. seats, he found there was standing in the stalls and he went to the circle.

He was told there was no possibility of 3s. 6d. seats, so he got a transfer to the 6s. 6d. section.

Then he found that there were plenty of cheaper seats available throughout the performance.

Mr. A. S. Moss, general manager of Associated British Cinemas, said he thought that at the time of Mr.

Lawrence's transfer the programme had broken up and it was quite possible some 3s. 6d. seats in the circle had become vacant. If that were so, however, Mr. Lawrence would not have been entitled to them because the 3s. 6d. patrons standing downstairs would get them.

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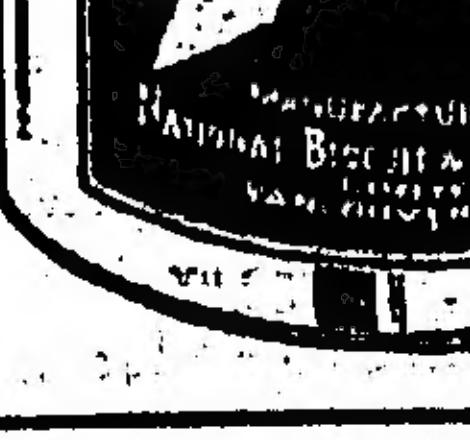
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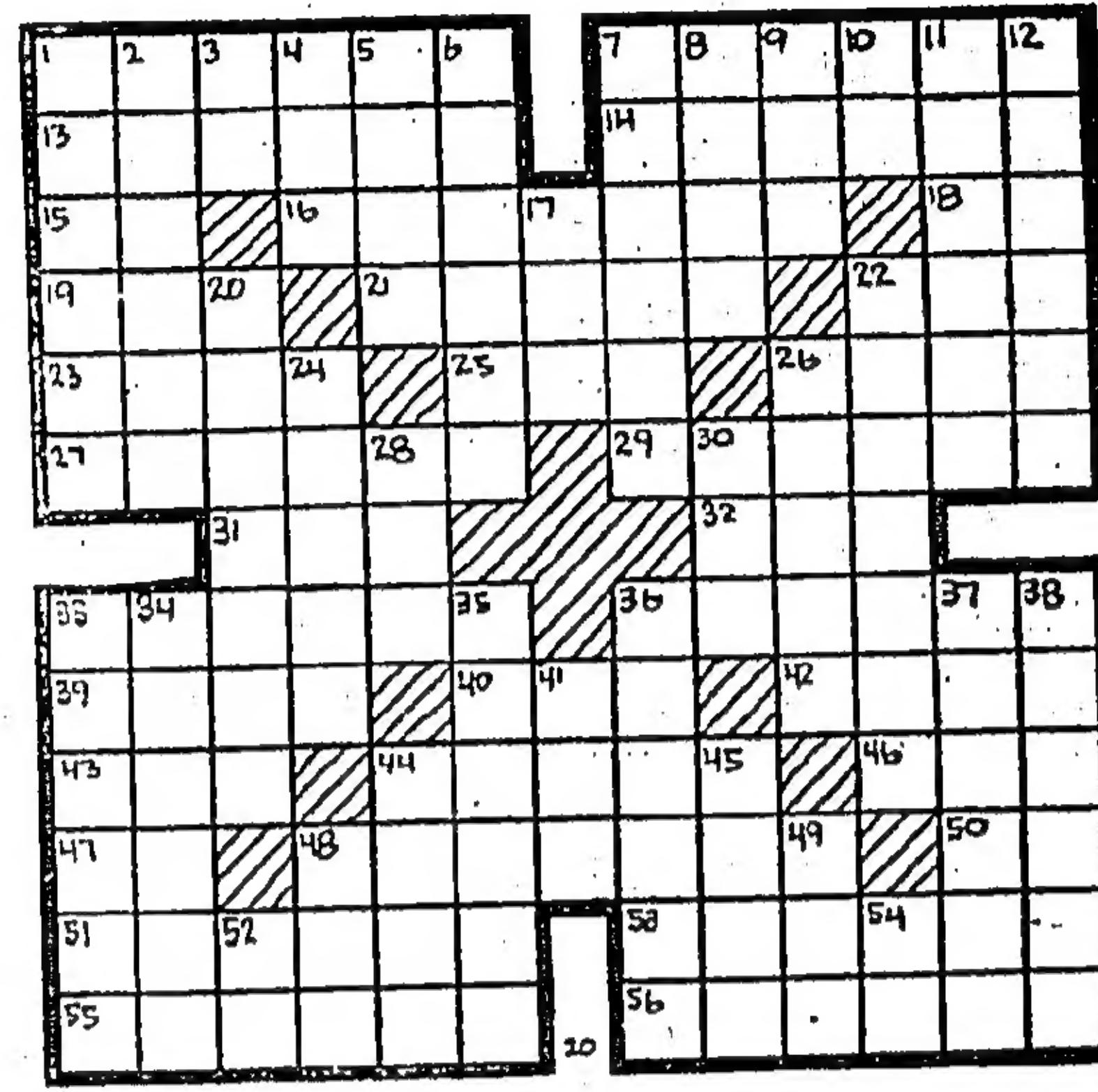
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2-One of several
3-Indian tribe
4-Western Indians
5-Indian name
6-Lion (Sanskrit)
7-Japanese name
8-Tins
9-Guitar
10-Woodland deities
11-Chinese moralist
12-Law professor
13-Heroine of play
14-Section of New
15-New York City
16-Card name
17-Unit of energy
18-Telegraph
19-Title of record
20-Article
21-Imaginary story
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DOWN
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2-Negative
3-Dwarfed plant
4-Protected border
5-Windless sheet
6-Altitude record
7-Imperialist
8-Cold and dry part of Asia
9-Sheets of paper
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Japan In China

THE Kokumin Domei, a Japanese minority party of strong nationalistic tendencies, warns the Tokyo Government that Britain may encroach on Japan's preserves in China.

But what are the facts? On the lowest estimate, Britain has something like £230,000,000 invested in China, including the investment of British nationals residing in Hongkong and other parts of the East. Other estimates put the total as high as £300,000,000. Britain's stake, indeed, exceeds that of Japan and all other countries together. China's railways, water-borne transport, public utility industries, textile trades, and many more, have been developed by British capital, and still more by British enterprise.

Japan has made no secret that the hegemony she seeks over China is economic as well as political. Wherever her armies have gone, the open door has immediately been closed and padlocked. Within the first few months of hostilities the operations of British owned companies in Shanghai were restricted by 50 to 80 per cent. The Yangtse, the most important artery of Chinese communications, has been progressively closed to British traders, as the Japanese forces have advanced. The Pearl River, which is open to Japanese shipping on regular service to Macao and Formosa, is closed to British ships from this Colony. The Customs receipts in occupied areas are being held by the Japanese, and for months no revenue has reached the bondholders. With every new town and city occupied, the same story of hamstrung British trade is told.

There should be only one end to all this. Japan's markets are her Achilles Heel. Outside the so-called "yen bloc" countries, the British Empire takes 40 per cent. of Japan's exports. Four democracies—Great Britain, the United States, France and Holland—with their respective Empires, absorb over 80 per cent. of her exports and supply 80 per cent. of her total imports. Germany and Italy, incidentally, are responsible for no more than two and ten per cent. respectively.

Why, it may be asked, should Great Britain—or the other democracies, for that matter—be particularly anxious to supply Japan with materials essential to a campaign whose object is inimical to their own trade interests in China? And if Great Britain, with her present unfavourable trade balance, decides to reduce the total of her imports from Japan, what can prevent her from carrying out her determination?

SEEDS OF TO-MORROW

PERHAPS THE pantomime season was an appropriate one for my visit, for the scene has indeed changed.

Once the immaculate, white-clad disciple of Aesculapius and the capable and comely nursing-sister maintained health and well-being on a speckless, shaven lawn, charmingly edged by gracious bamboo and the flaunting, shameless, scarlet hibiscus.

Not the slightest vestige of that verdant turf remains; the whole is now one desolate plain of gritty dust, which every errant whiff of breeze sends stinging into eye and nostril.

The sigh of regret for yet another beauty passed away was quickly stifled by the remembrance of that altruistic slogan "the greatest good for the greatest number."

Where once that cherished lawn rendered perhaps two hours pleasure daily to, let us say, a half-score people, now the dusty, gritty eyesore vouchsafes same bodily and mental recreation to uncending bands of Chinese refugee children of all ages from, as far as I can discover, dawn to dark.

Here the young things—chased out of humble (though well-loved) home, village and country by a pitiless, barbarous and inhuman foe—find blessed peace and security.

HAVING IN MIND the all but incredible powers of recuperation of the Chinese race, one scarcely marvels at the rapidity with which these children recover from terror, hunger, homelessness, the absence of all adult relatives and the anxiety inseparable therefrom, and transportation under durance to an entirely unfamiliar mis-en-scene.

Few adults were to be seen in the corridors and courtyards of the old Government Civil Hospital, beyond the blue-clad, efficient and courteous overseers.

My last visit coincided with moving day there, and the aspect of the old building seemed at first sight, and not unnaturally, somewhat depressing. But contact with the cheery and contented little "movees" quickly dispelled any such feeling, and the "trek" of this vast family seemed to be in very capable hands.

None of the shouting and yelling, the pushing and shoving, the tearing anxiety and near panic so often the concomitant of a Chinese crowd bent on a

common purpose. In its place, be securely fastened to the person; then the excited little people were quickly, but without unseemly haste, shepherded into the waiting lorries, together

by

N. B. WHITESTONE

At the exit, which permitted the passing of but one individual at a time, each child (or the adult if in charge) was given a corresponding ticket number, to

with their bundles—and so to

Kam Tin!

A tour of the dormitories found all but one ready for the adventure, though here and

T. PAUL GREGORY, "Telegraph's" expert on Old China,
Writes Of

The TEMPLE OF INNER REALITIES

CLAIRVOYANCE—the "clear

sight" of the mesmeric

trance—has always been regarded as a subject of more than passing interest. However novel it may appear to be in this modern age, it is not new to the world; for the philosophers and teachers of antiquity were apparently acquainted with it, and had recourse to it, when they wished to enter the so-called "Temple of Inner Realities."

They were aware that by its

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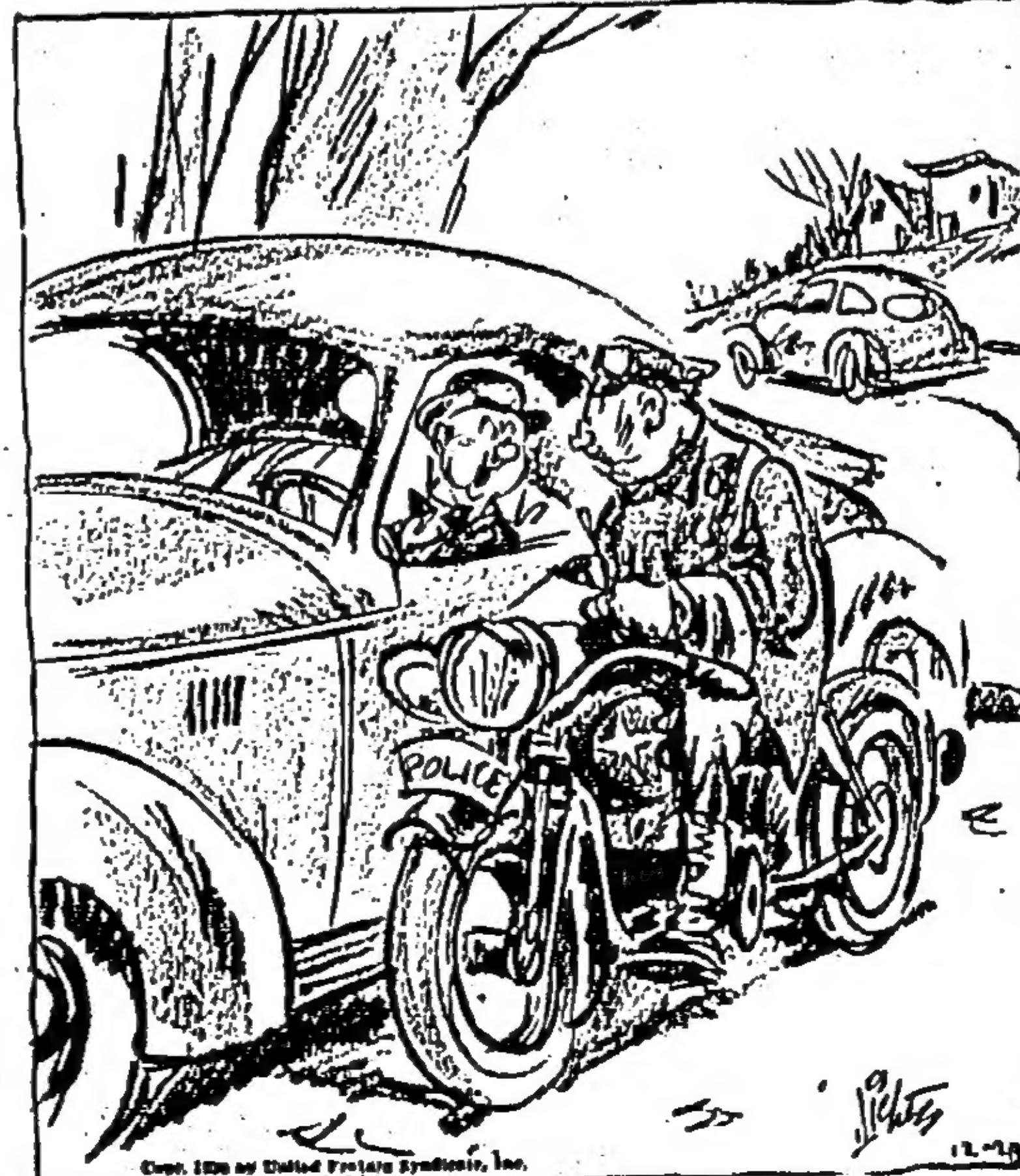
outer senses, more perceptible

than the External: is to us by

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perception."

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You're lucky I can't think of all the snappy comebacks I'll think of later to say to you!"

there a bed mat lay still unclaimed, and a few disconsolate-looking cooking utensils awaited collection.

The children almost without exception showed neither fear nor anxiety, though here and there a tiny fellow hid in an elder's skirt at my approach. All seemed well-nourished, sufficiently clad and eager and willing for a continuance of life's hard adventures.

But one note of doubt was raised, and that by the sole male adult refugee; he seemed somewhat perturbed at what might await him and his at Kam Tin. I left him, I hope, reassured and more confident for the immediate future.

The only sleeper was a tiny baby, swathed and swaddled in an infinity of bundling, who lay on his (or her) mat sterterously and with effort breathing. It appeared that the mite had relatives in the place and that the pitiful little human derelict would be collected later on. All the same, he made a pathetic picture of forlorn solitariness in that scene of bustle and cheerful activity.

MEANDERING HOMeward through courtyards and grounds of the old Hospital, which has seen and relieved so many and varied a human woe, I pondered upon the possible future of that tiny speck of humanity.

What will he become, and how will he end the pilgrimage commenced under such inauspicious circumstances?

These young ones have started thus early—even for the Chinese race—on that hard and often bitter path of life which is the normal and accepted lot of the peasant Sons of Han.

skilled clairvoyants in South China, and from the 1st to the 20th of the eighth moon (nominally October 13 to November 1), they have a peculiar custom of holding moonlight seances, to which flock crowds of interested spectators from all over the countryside.

The clairvoyants are young lads of fifteen or sixteen, who are placed in a mesmeric state in the following manner. The youths, generally five or six in number, are ostensibly selected at random from the audience, and invited to lie down on the ground in a row, about two feet from one another. After they have done so, several necromancers appear, and waving lighted

joss sticks over the prostrate forms, commence a peculiar repetitive chant, accompanied at intervals by the crashing reverberation of bronzen gongs:

"Kam-k'ui-tsai, Kam-f'u-wong,
Yin-pai-pai, Lok-leung-fong,
Lok-leung-fong kung-kung-shau
Fa-shau lok-leung-fong,
"O, ye little toads, O, thou King
of toads (who dwell in the moon),
Descend to earth, ye proud ones,
and enter our cool abodes."

When we have entered our cool apartments, we clasp our hands and respectfully bow to you,

O, change bars and enter our cool chambers now!"

THIS incantatory formula is repeated until the monotony of the repetition seems to numb the sensibilities of the listeners. Meanwhile, the gongs assume a faster rhythm, and the crescendo of sound coupled with the weirdness of the chant, and the eeriness of the nocturnal scene, impress all with the utter unreality of the scene. The chant is abruptly halted, and as the last vibrations of the gongs die away, the youths apparently become in rapport with the spirit world. Suddenly, as if impelled by a signal from the unseen sphere, they leap to their feet, and commence performing re-

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Events of the Week In Pictures



TENNIS CHAMPIONS. Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Chiu, the Hongkong Ladies Tennis Double Champions, receiving awards from Mrs. A. E. Grasett, wife of the General Officer Commanding Troops in China.—*Newsphoto*.



HAPPY GATHERING. The above photograph was taken in the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel recently during a Ladies' Night dance held by Cathay Lodge, No. 4373 E.C.—*King's Studio*.



RUNNER-UP. Mrs. A. E. Grasett presenting a cup to Miss Madge Griffiths, runner-up in the Ladies Single Championship of the Colony.—*Newsphoto*.



JUNK VOYAGE. Mr. Richard Haliburton who is promoting a voyage across the Pacific to San Francisco from Hongkong in the "Sea Dragon". Mr. Haliburton and crew will be leaving shortly.—*Staff Photographer*.



PRESENTATION OF MEDALS. Top Photo: H.E. the Governor, Lt. Col. H. B. Rose, Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Capt. H. S. Batty-Smith and Lt. H. A. de B. Botelho arrive at Volunteer Headquarters for the recent presentation of medals. Centre: H.E. the Governor addressing the H.K. Volunteer Defence Corps. Lower Photo: H.E. the Governor presenting a medal to CQMS H. L. Lockhart.—*King's Studio*



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1.—Sapphires are found mainly in jewellery shops. Apart from the price you can tell them by their colour, which is:

White; pink; scarlet; black; blue; green.

2.—There are two Houses—Upper and Lower—in the Parliaments of all States of Australia except one—and that one State is:

New South Wales; South Australia; Tasmania; West Australia; Queensland; Victoria.

3.—A frog when it is very young is called nothing more or less than a:

Smelter; anchovy; froglet; toad; tadpole; calf; pup; froggle; minnow; triton.

4.—As he was mentioned in the papers recently as a proud papa you should remember that the King of Egypt's name is:

Kamal Ataturk; Fund; Farida; Farina; Farouk; Pharaoh.

5.—And mention of Kamal Ataturk should remind you that the most recent thing that has happened to him is that he:

Has been elected president of Turkey; has been chairman of the League of Nations; has signed a pact with Britain; has died; has married.

6.—Honolulu, glamour spot of beach pyjamas and honeymoons, is in the group of islands known as the:

East Indies; West Indies; Malay Archipelago; Canary; Sandwich.

7.—Whether you are red, white or blue or just plain simple it is time you knew the meaning of the word Soviet is merely a:

Bomb thrower; bolshevik; country; court of law; communist; council; revolution.

8.—Maybe you didn't do history at school but one of the first things they drummed into me was that India was added to Britain's possessions in the reign of:

Anne; George I; George II; George III; George IV; George V.

9.—Quai d'Orsay is often mentioned in the cables, so don't admit you skim over it without knowing it is:

A French port; Paris art centre; French Parliament; President's residence; French Foreign Office; Paris opera house.

10.—The Mikado is such a well-known opera that I don't expect a single one of you will not know that the story for it was written by:

Goethe; Wagner; Sullivan; Primi; Berlin; Gilbert; Schubert.

11.—A rapid mental calculation will show you that New Year's Day holiday next year will be celebrated on a:

Saturday; Sunday; Monday; Tuesday; Thursday; Friday.

12.—As an all-rounder the potato is in the championship class. You can bake it, boil it, fish with it, and use it to make:

Cider; rum; brandy; beer; whisky; cough mixture; sherry.

13.—Take all the letters of the alphabet (but be sure and put them back again) and subtract all the consonants and you will find that the number of letters left is:

10; 18; 5; 6; 20; 22; 21.

14.—Grapnel is a simple enough word—simple enough to spell, anyway. But ah!—do you know that grapnel is a:

Denmark; Belgium; Hungary; Capri; West Australia; America.

15.—If you've been thinking the others have been hard you'll smirk at this easy one—what was the first American talkie film and when was it produced?

16.—Knowing how good you all are at geometry, I'm just throwing two points at you by asking you to tell me that the segment of a circle is:

The distance round it; the width; half the width; the area; part between are and chord; the centre.

17.—The other day down the street—no, I believe it was up the street—saw a man taking a toupee which is a:

Long flowing robe; ribbon attached to spectacles; pith helmet; bouquet in his button-hole; wig; hair cloth.

18.—When you hear one woman refer to another woman as obese you can be pretty sure they are not bosom friends because obese means:

Very untidy; slovenly in the house; given to strong drink; extremely skinny; overweight; flirtatious.

19.—Never read Roman history? Never heard of Scipio?

He was the man who cleaned up Carthage, which was in:

Greece; Spain; Portugal; Sicily; Africa; Britain.

20.—The word is weal and the meaning is:

What motor cars run on; young calf's flesh; a district in England; welfare; Scotch for well.

21.—Someday you might take up the career of a weaver so here is a chance to learn that the woof:

Is the loom; the machine that drives it; is the finished article; is the thread that goes up and down; is the thread that goes from side to side; is what the workmen call the foreman.

22.—Sometimes you hear old-fashioned folk say that a certain man is very good at husbandry. You might prefer to say he was very good at:

Rifle shooting; wood-carving; glass-blowing; looking after his wife; farming; fishing.

23.—Montpelier, according to the tourist guide, is a lovely little city which you should visit next time you go to:

Denmark; Belgium; Hungary; Capri; West Australia; America.

24.—Farmers would look askance at you—and you'd be surprised just how farmers can look askance—if you referred to one of these as a pulse crop:

Peas; beans; lentils; barley.

25.—Unless the sergeant puts one over you or there are special circumstances, generally you can count on the police court magistrate giving you a remand for:

Two days; four; six; seven; eight; 10; a couple of years; as long as you like.

(Answers on Page 3)

FREDERIC MARCH ON VACATION

FREDERIC MARCH, unable to find a suitable play in which he and his wife, Florence Eldridge, may appear on Broadway has decided to take a vacation in Bermuda after finishing "Trade Winds."

March was extremely anxious to have made good on the New York stage in order to erase the memory of his last Broadway effort, which ran three days.

Very untidy; slovenly in the house; given to strong drink; extremely skinny; overweight; flirtatious.

Never read Roman history? Never heard of Scipio?

ON a bright morning in early September Jeff Gadsdell was putting Alleluia through her paces.

Alleluia, Gadsdell's niece and protegee in crime, was, at 14, one of the most hardened little toughs with whom the police had ever come into contact. She was by no means the valued member of the gang of expert housebreakers and sneak-thieves which looked to Gadsdell, for leadership.

Already this morning she had given a demonstration of lock-picking which would not have disgraced the boss himself. "Smart work, kid," said Jeff, as this demonstration concluded; and Wally Ilder, his second-in-command, joined enthusiastically in the applause. "And now," said Jeff, handing Alleluia a bar of chocolate, "tell us all about the Big Shot."

Alleluia grinned. "The Big Shot," she began—in somewhat the manner of the juvenile prodigy who had been asked to reproduce Pietro's famous speech—"the Big Shot's a guy named Charlie Bird. He's a tough guy, is Charlie; tall 'n' power full 'n' very fierce-like; everyone who knows him is afraid of him. He drives a very fast car, though I don't know what makes it, is on what its number is, 'cos I never remembered to look. He's generally accompanied by a young woman—as you might say, a gangster's moll. He calls her Beauty, but I guess that's not her real name, and I dunno what her real name is 'cos no one's never told me."

At this point Alleluia paused for breath and Jeff, heaving with sup-

pressed laughter, asked: "And where does the Big Shot live?"

"That I can't tell you," said Alleluia, "cos I dunno. He always picks me up in the car somewhere in the street, but that it was outside Camden Town Station and next time it's going to be somewhere in Notting Hill."

"And how many times has he picked you up altogether?"

"This'll be the third time. The first time we were going to do a job down in Surrey, but nothing came of it, and the second time we were going to do a job, I think it was Rendlesham, but I'm not sure 'cos nobody told me and nothing came of that either."

"And how," asked Wally, "did you meet the Big Shot in the first place?"

"Outside a public house," answered Alleluia promptly. "Mother had gone in for a port 'n' lemon and the Big Shot came up to me and asked if I'd like to earn half-a-crown." (Alleluia, it should be explained, lived with her widowed mother in one of the more disreputable parts of Bayswater.) "And mother said it was all right, so I guess we can go ahead with the arrangements for to-night."

The astute reader will doubtless have guessed that this story of the Big Shot was, from start to finish, an invention—an invention, in the first instance, of Jeff's, to which various touches had, from time to time, been contributed by others.

Alleluia's part in the occasional house-breaking raids which Jeff organised was to climb through the windows of outbuildings, or to squeeze through railings or gaps in fences and so secure access for her principals. This role obviously exposed

A Lay Sermon

By Hugh Redwood

WHAT is a peacemaker? According to the dictionary, "one who reconciles enemies" or "one who exercises a peaceful influence in an atmosphere of strife." Both definitions, of course, are accurate, but both fall short of the full meaning of the word.

Blessed are the with which peacemakers Christ's teaching MATTHEW, v. 9 invests the word. Jesus said, be it noted, not "blessed are they which keep the peace" but "blessed are they which make it." Real peacemaking is something much more than composing quarrels: it is the establishment of conditions in which quarrels cannot occur. There is a pacifist which ignores this fact. Trying to make peace in a bad temper is like trying to cast out devils through Beelzebub.

The only sure way of establishing peace is by securing the general acceptance of one supreme and forgiving Fatherhood. This was purpose of Calvary (Colossians 1, 20). Men and nations who are reconciled to the same God must of necessity be reconciled one to another; it is no one of Euclid's axioms. The way of peace is therefore the way of Jesus, and that is the reason why they who make peace shall be called the children of God.

There are No Trumps. West leads spade 10, and North-South have to win seven of the thirteen tricks.

Solutions by first post Wednesday to "Bridge Problem," Hongkong Telegraph.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM NO. 92

South leads club 8 and North ruffs with jack of trumps. North follows with king, queen and small spade the third of which is won by either East or West according to their discards on the previous tricks. South discarding hearts. (a) If East wins he must lead a heart and South wins with queen and ace of hearts and jack of clubs. (b) If West wins the fourth trick he must lead back a diamond, and South must win a diamond, a club, and a heart.

Some thought this problem easy but the many who were wrong obviously did not find it so.

Others who gave only the variation where East wins the third spade or claimed that East-West could win seven of the nine tricks failed to see that South's two first discards must be hearts and must have missed the real intricacy of the problem and the effect of proper defense on South's discarding. A solution can be found with a heart lead but it must be the Ace and if not ruffed must be followed immediately by a club lead and South must carefully manage his discards.

Correct solutions from S. Shaw, A.E.G., "W. J. S." "R. E. T." "P. O'D." and "D. N. C."

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her to considerable risks which might well lead (Jeff thought) to her being captured—while the rest of the gang got away. In such a contingency she might just as well—in the interests of all concerned—tell the police a cock-and-bull story as a true one.

That night this carefully laid scheme was to fructify. Gadsdell, "acting on information received," had planned a burglary at the temporarily unoccupied residence of Major-General Hindshell.

Here, in a remote part of Sussex, was housed a valuable collection of oriental jewellery—the fruit of years of activity of the gallant General while on active service in India and China. Jeff had already arranged to dispose of this booty should Jeff and Wally be successful—as they expected to be—in lifting it.

At about midnight Jeff's car drew up in a shady lane about 50 yards from the Hindshell residence. Alleluia, half asleep, was in the back seat; in front sat Jeff and Wally. The former brought the car noiselessly to a standstill, while the latter, without wasting any words, slipped into the road and disappeared.

In about 20 minutes he was back again. "Everything looks Okay," he whispered, "but we shall want the kid. The scullery window's open. We can have her through that in a jiffy."

"Swell," said Jeff. He turned on his electric torch. "Wake up, Ally Zero," he roared. Rummaging in the recesses of the car he produced his house-breaking tools and three pairs of rubber gloves; two of these he handed to his confederates, putting on the third himself. "Now we're all set," he said.

The lights were switched off and the three adventurers, in single file, stole warily round the corner in the direction of their objective.

Unfortunately, Wally's reconnaissance of the house had not been equal to the occasion. Alleluia, perched precariously on Jeff's shoulder, was half-way through the window when a light flashed upon the scene and the traditional "Ere, wot's all this," of the county constabulary shattered the autumn silence.

THE BIG SHOT

PUZZLE CORNER

Cryptogram

This cryptogram is an old-time verse.

EX YKNBRA VRB EX YKNBRA,
EXF BTIK ORAR YKNBRA,
BOY YKNBRA VRB BOY YK-
NBRAN,
EXF BTIK ORAR YKNBRA,
BYV,
GYMA YKNBRA VRB E ZHXB
EXF BTIK ORAR YKNBRA
NBRO.

Use 'Em Again

Follow the usual rules, which call for using the letters in the words given as many times as necessary to form words defined. The figures after the definitions indicate the number of letters in the words:

HAVENS RAP (anxious 12) =
DIP TEN (self-reliant, 11) =
TRIO NAP (conciliation, 12) =

Letter Juggling
Try forming 2 different 12-letter words from the 12 letters given below. Use all 12 letters in each word:

ACE INNO ROSTV

Find the Number

A certain number exceeds the sum of its 3rd, 4th, and 10th parts by 38. Find the number.

Fun With Synonyms

Here are more words and their synonyms to be paired off:

1. slope	trap
2. jewel	present
3. gesture	inhaline
4. gift	fluid
5. aware	scrutiny
6. friend	joker
7. end	action
8. amaze	comrade
9. jester	gem
10. liquid	turf

(Answers Appear on Page 3)



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Girls' and Boys' Corner



NAME AGE.....
ADDRESS

Dear Kiddle,

Last week's painting competition was most popular and the entries were really good. In fact, it took me quite a long time to decide on the winning entries. However, after careful consideration, I have decided to award the prizes this week to:

Mary Grace Aspin (aged 12½), St. Stephen's College.

Jean Hunter (aged 8), 11, Leighton Hill, Minto Road.

Lillian (aged 6), Cathay Hotel, 810, King's Road.

Coupons are being sent to Mary, Jean and Judy which I want them to bring to the "Hongkong Telegraph" offices in Wyndham Street. The coupons will then be exchanged for money prizes.

I want to specially commend the following for good entries:

Seniors: Yuen Wah-chee, Yeung Kit-wai, Ho Man-chun, Ola Tam, Paul Yee, Eddie, Mabel, Saramon, Percy Gardner, Jeannette, Moorcroft, Ching, Lai, Kwee, Mary An, Laurence Becker, Olek, Juliein, Intermediates: Bertie Phillips, David

Asche, Constantin Bonhoff, Alan Whelpton, Rita Gardner, Teresa Soura, Ann Smith, Perry Cook, S. S. Bux, Lo Pu-yan, Merle Tong, Eddie Chan, Wilma Way, Eulalia Xavier.

Juniors: Nena Orolo, P. Wong, Gaffor Dux.

This week, kiddies, we are having a clueless crossword puzzle. The words below are not clues, but the actual words to be filled in.

Ink or pencil may be used. The best way is to put in the long words first; the other words will then fit in more easily.

Having filled all the spaces, complete the coupon, then cut out the panel, Send to Uncle Eddie, c/o "Hongkong Telegraph", Wyndham Street, before 2 p.m. on Wednesday. All boys and girls not over 15 years of age may send in, and full allowance will be made for age.

Lately, I have noticed that a few kiddies are being helped in the competitions by their parents or older brothers

The SNAPSHOT GUILD
ACTION SNAPS

What action! Must have taken a fast shutter to stop it! Well, no—don't tell anybody, but it was snapped at 1/20 second, approximately box-camera shutter speed. The athlete simply held still for a moment.

PRETTY soon the weather will start on their athletic programmes, small boys will be running battered footballs around on vacant lots—and your youngster, very likely, will be among them.

These amateur athletes are excellent material for your camera, whether it is a box camera such as most of us have, or one of the new high-speed miniatures.

Of course, with a box camera, you cannot always expect to "stop" rapid action. That is the field of the cameras with high-speed lenses and shutters. But there's no reason why you can't picture action poses—some of them so realistic that people who see them would vow the pictures were high-speed "stop-action" snaps.

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and sisters. Please do not do this. Apart from being unfair, I do not see what satisfaction can be obtained by allowing others to complete your puzzles. Every good wish, kiddies.

Uncle Eddie

Any athlete, proud of his muscles and uniform, should be glad to "hold it" a moment for you. And small boys on neighborhood baseball diamonds cheer when they see a camera coming. They'll hold any pose you want them to.

The low viewpoint is best for action pictures, with the camera tilted slightly upward so that the sky forms the picture background.

Try it, with a young pitcher "winding up" or at the end of his delivery. He can hold his position and expression long enough for you to snap the picture—and the effect is one of genuine rapid action.

"Action" snaps of this sort not only turn out to be good pictures, but also provide plenty of fun. Try some, and see how easily the camera (and your friends) can be fooled.

John van Guilder

THRILLER

FRANCIS BEEDING is nothing if not ingenuous. In his latest thriller, *The Black Arrows* (Hodder and Stoughton, 7s. 6d.), an Italian dictator, whose identity is cunningly disguised under the name of Gafarelli, actually calls upon the British Intelligence Service to help him stamp out a secret organisation whose aim is to force him into a war with England.

He cannot trust his own people, for this is the Black Arrows, as John Cowper (his Intelligence Service formula is HX14X) discovers to his cost, has its agents everywhere. As the advertisement says, even his best friends won't tell him.

Fortunately, Cowper is a strong swimmer, for the mysterious castle of Venice, where most of his adventures occur, figures largely in the book, which, like all Beeding, piles adventure on adventure to the very last page.

B. M.

Are You Sure?

(Questions on Page 2)

1 Blue.	14 Anchor.
2 Queensland	15 The Jazz Singer (Upper House 1927, the obit of the date).
	16 Part between are and chord.
3 Tadpole.	17 Wig.
4 Farouk.	18 Overweight.
5 Hins died.	19 Africa.
6 Sandwich.	20 Welfare.
7 Council.	21 The thread going from side to side.
8 George II.	22 Farming.
9 French Foreign Office.	23 America.
10 Gilbert.	24 Barley.
11 Monday.	25 Eight.
12 Whisky.	(capital of Vermont Co.)
13 5 (the vowels: a, e, i, o, u).	

Puzzle Corner, Answers

Cryptogram
An oyster met an oyster,
And they were oysters two;
Two oysters met two oysters;
And they were oysters, too;
Four oysters met a pint of milk;
And they were oyster stew.
Use 'Em Again: Apprehensive,
Independent, propitiatory.

Letter Juggling: Conservation,
conversion.

Find the Number: 120.

Fun With Synonyms: Slope-incline; jewel—gem; gesture—motion; gift—present; snare—trap; friend—comrade; sod—turf; search—scrutiny; jester—joker; liquid—fluid.

INSPECTOR PLAYFAIR
SOLUTION

Jeff Gadsdell had stupidly left his own fingerprints on the rubber gloves worn by Alicelein.

THIEVES PICK
CIGARETTES

CLEVELAND, O.
Thieves took all brands of cigarettes except one from a suburban Olmsted Falls drug store. They scorched a 12-cent brand.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 1939.

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JOHN BLUNT Says— STICK UP FOR THE EMPIRE

IT IS INTERESTING, sometimes, when in reflective mood, to ruminate as to what exactly the average foreigner thinks of the average Briton?

I employ the word "Briton" in preference to the Americanism "Britisher."

I am even willing to forego the right to refer to a native of England as an Englishman, for the modesty of the Englishman is profound—born of an in-born sense of courtesy—a sense of avoiding hurting the other fellow's feelings. So much for that!

Even so, it is England that crystallizes all that the Englishman, Scotman, Irishman (Yes— even Irishman), Welshman, Australian, New Zealander, South African—and every other member of the British Commonwealth of Nations sticks up for when things are not going so smoothly in the world.

THIS SMALL COLONY of Hongkong is a particularly suitable corner of the Empire in which to address my opening question. It plays the part of host to almost every nationality under the sun, and as the typical English host, does everything possible to make the guest feel at home. In fact, some of our guests enjoy a freedom which they cannot experience in their own homelands to-day.

Irksome restrictions are nonexistent. It is merely necessary for our visitors to arrive with the conventional form of introduction in the form of a properly attested passport, and every courtesy is shown.

In some quarters recently, there has been a deplorable tendency to belittle and malign England, and those guilty of the courtesy overlook the fact that they are insulting their host, no matter though they happen to reside in a corner of the world far removed from England.

The unfortunate part is that one occasionally comes across British subjects who would be most indignant if they were dubbed un-British—and yet they have neither the courtesy nor loyalty to stick up for their own Empire, when it happens to be symbolised in the good old name of England.

WHEN I happened to be in Australia, I was forcibly struck by the fact that Australians so frequently referred with some pride to "The Home Country"—and when I enquired as to what part of the British Isles they came from, it was not unusual to receive the reply that they had never visited the "Old Country"—but that it seemed natural to refer to it as the "Old Country" or the "Mother Country."

Travelling around the world, every member of the British Empire is glad of the fact that he carries a British passport, no matter whether issued in Hongkong, Sydney, London—or where you will. When landing in the United States—Germany or elsewhere, he doesn't claim that he

possible. Moreover, if Mr. Churchill is defeated in the Cabinet, the whole Board of Admiralty will resign. The Cabinet discusses the subject on Thursday.

Since the death of Mr. Fang-a Cantonese aviator, no successor in the art has appeared. It is learned, however, that a Sunniente named Mr. Lui, who has been taught flying in Japan, is making preparation for an aerial exhibition at the Parade Ground outside Hongkong.

That chair epitomises the realisation of an idea which has been in the minds of aviation engineers for years—the day when the captain of a passenger plane would be commander in the real sense of the word.

In the past the plane captain has been hindered by the fact that he is also the pilot. Even the advent of the co-pilot and the invention of the

radio pilot did not relieve him very much. The captain still had to keep his fingers on the controls. There was no room, even in a modern plane, for a man who did not take part in flying the ship.

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If he cries, should I pick him up?

IT has been said that if you treat a baby properly, providing it is a normal, healthy baby, he will cry very little and sleep as much as he should.

Now let's take the thing calmly and see where we get.

To start with, let me say that I would not presume to tell you how to treat your baby properly. My source of information on the subject, however, is beyond question . . . you know, letters after her name and everything. And this, in so many words, is what she says.

It's Easy to Learn

PERSONAL experience and a good book will soon discover the most suitable food for your baby, which means good digestion and no tummy-aches. Then there is information to be had on all sides as to what baby should wear to keep him warm and comfortable, without over or under dressing him.

His bedding should be medium soft, and tucking-in a cosy affair, not like a strait-jacket; and then, a good point this, whoever is handling him must be calm and assured.

So much for the book. All that is quite obviously logical good sense. If he is perfectly well and perfectly happy, why should he cry?

I have been told quite definitely that his dislike of sleep is quite that no baby will be difficult in simply not tired.

His brain is active, perhaps too active, and you know what that does to you if you are grown up. You go to bed feeling mentally exhausted and you toss and turn all night,

in whereas a five-mile walk before bed and you sleep like a log. It is, then, fairly safe to say that as soon as a baby can get up, as soon as he can crawl, the terrific effort he puts into his transport will take a good half-hour of the mother's time getting them off.

I think this type of trouble is due mainly to one of two things.

Either the baby is spoilt, or else he has an unusually active mind.

If he is spoilt he does not want to lie down and be good, because he is well aware that a couple of good yellows will pluck him out of bed in a trice, which is amusing.

If he is a bright-minded sleep is just a bore when there are so many other nice things to do.

It does not make much difference in the end which way it is, because, unless his mother has a heart of stone or is quite deaf, she isn't going to let him lie there and yell himself blue in the face.

No doubt, if he has a soft, unemotional sort of cry, leaving him to it is good training and unlikely to harm him. So if he cries as if for the pleasure of the thing and you are sure there is no reason let him cry, and in many cases he will learn that it is getting him nowhere, and so give it up as a bad job.

But if he has a loud, angry sort of cry, and seems to be working himself into a frenzy, I would quite definitely pick him up.

Here is the Answer

BUT, all you harassed mothers, there is an end to it. So rock the cradle, and I will tell you how it generally works out. There is an answer to the problem, and the answer is time.

You see, the small baby who has nothing whatever against him, ex-

HOME HINTS

TO freshen artificial flowers, trim off all ragged edges and shake gently over the steam from a boiling kettle, but do not make them too wet. If faded, they can be retouched with dye, or oil paints thinned down with methylated spirits.

To clean the seat of a cane chair, sponge with warm salt water, or use lemon juice and salt if treating white cane, and rinse with warm water. The seat can afterwards be tightened by saturating it with hot water and drying in the sun.

Coffee grounds poured down a sink will clean the pipe, dried in the oven they will make an excellent stuffing for pin cushions.

To clean a door plate without soiling the surrounding woodwork, cut a section from a piece of tin the exact size of the plate, and slip it in over it when cleaning.

Bedroom drinking bottles and tumblers can be thoroughly cleaned and given a splendid lustre if washed in water to which a little ordinary washing blue has been added.

A rubber mat placed on the wash-stool in a room where there is an invalid, will be greatly appreciated, as it prevents the clatter of medicine bottles, glasses, and other necessary articles which so often distract a patient.

Instead of using unlighted mats to protect a polished surface under a flower vase, cut a tight piece of tissue the exact size of the vase, for this will not be noticeable.

G. O. T.



"Unless his mother has a heart of stone she is not going to let him lie and cry himself blue in the face."

The End of it All

SO look forward to the time when he can get about. It may be a nerve-racking business.

He will open your cupboards and remove all their contents, he will make a beeline for anything hot, he will take your unread newspaper and, when he has finished looking at it, destroy it utterly, and then with a sweet smile he will take the corner of the tablecloth and pull it clean off the newly-laid table.

But at the end of it all he will sleep. And so will you.

Delicious Fritters

NOW is the time to serve fritters—and a quarter of a pint of milk. The days are colder, and these fritters look so cooked, smoked haddock (finely hot, crisp, brown delicacies look so good), and season to taste with deliciously tempting!

Fritters, with a few exceptions, consist of small portions of fruit, vegetables, fish, meat, cheese, &c., pepper, salt, and a few drops of anchovy essence.

Spread the mixture on a plate and leave until cool. When cold divide in six or eight portions, form into balls enclosing an oyster in each.

As the success of the fritters depends largely on the batter—use a reliable recipe and be sure to see one.

Coat with batter and fry until golden brown.

and a quarter of a pint of milk. Stir into it about six ounces of hot, crisp, brown delicacies look so good, and season to taste with deliciously tempting!

Melt one tablespoonful of butter in a saucepan, mix into it one tablespoonful of flour, add a breakfastful of milk, flavoured with mace, pepper and salt.

Stir all together over the fire to a smooth creamy sauce, remove from the fire and add yolks of three eggs, then the whites, which have been whipped stiff.

Put a little of this mixture in a souffle dish. Put some cooked mushrooms and some small joints of chicken next, then more souffle mixture and more chicken till the dish is nearly full. Steam very slowly for fifty minutes.

You will not acquire beautiful ankles and wrists in a day, but if you persevere you will definitely see a pleasing improvement.

Shapely Ankles And Wrists

ANKLES are always very noticeable, so they should receive due attention.

If you want to have slim and shapely ankles, never wear shoes with a heel less than an inch high. Heel-less shoes also tend to develop flat feet.

Avoid flat-footedness in every way, not only as regards shoes but as regards movement. Never walk in a flat-footed way, with knees sagging, and stiff, wooden feet plonking down like inanimate objects. Feet should have suppleness and movement in them. The knees should stretch well at every step, the feet should be thrown well forward, and the instep and whole foot should be supple.

Proper walking has a direct and immediate effect on the ankles. You may feel a little self-conscious at first if you decide to perfect your walking, but just as you actually walk without thinking anything about it, so you will, in time, walk correctly without thinking anything about it.

Incidentally, whatever you do to improve your ankles will have a direct effect on calves, too.

Stretching Exercises

Further, use your instep and toes as much as possible. Get into the habit of stretching your instep at every opportunity, when you are taking a single step forward, when you are getting on and off buses, or during any other suitable movement. Walk and stand on your toes whenever you can as when going upstairs and down, while cleaning windows, and so on. It all helps to distribute the muscles of the whole leg in the most desirable way.

And here is an excellent exercise for improving the ankles. Stretch the leg out. Point the toes as far forward as possible. Then keeping the leg and ankle motionless, move the foot up, side, down, and up again in a perfect circle and stretching it as much as possible. Do this to each foot for about exercise, not only for the ankles, but for the whole leg.

Rising and sinking on the toes is also good for ankles, as is also any form of exercise like skipping and running, where you have to rise on the toes. Kneading and pressing the ankles firmly with the fingers is another aid to slimness.

For Supple Wrists

And now for the wrists. One of the best exercises for keeping the wrists supple and slim is flapping of the hands. Lift both arms up to about on a level with your chest, and with your elbows bent. Keeping the wrists and the rest of the arms as stiff as possible, flap the hands alone up and down very vigorously and loosely. Do this until you begin to tire, then rest and continue.

Rotating the hand, without moving the wrist and arm, is another good exercise. Gripping each wrist very hard with the hand of the other then pressing, also helps to make the shape slim.

Lastly, unless you happen to be a professional weight-lifter or acrobat, do not lift very heavy things. This develops ugly wrist bones, and the practice is quite often injurious to your interior organs. Abnormal feats of strength not only tend to spoil the shape of the figure, but are distinctly harmful to health, harmony, and balance.

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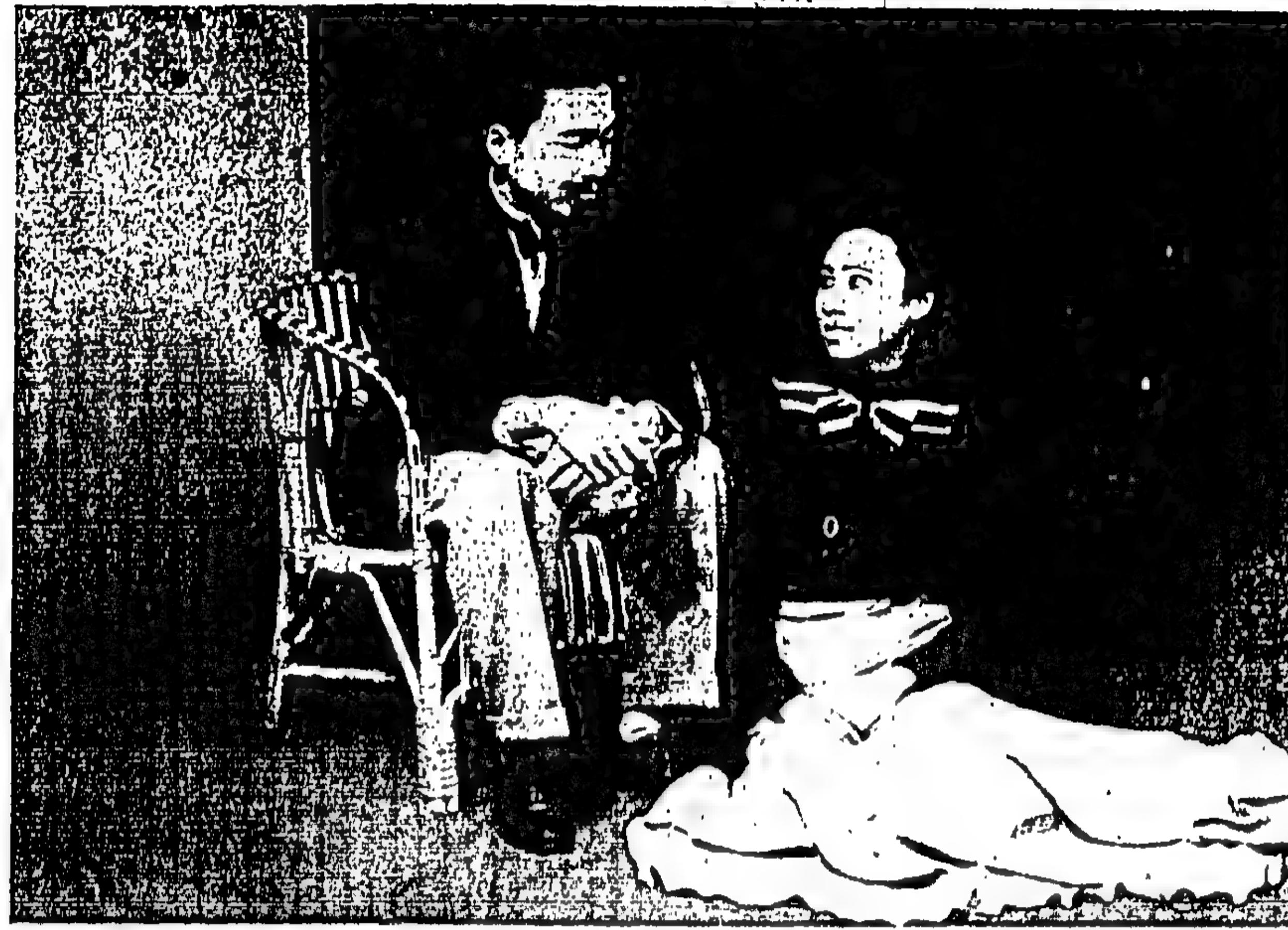
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HAPPENINGS
AS SEEN BY
THE CAMERA'S EYE

Local Events in Pictures



Mr. Wu Hei-tak (Mr. Crampton) and Miss Roso Pau (Gloria) as they will appear in the University Arts Association production, "You Never Can Tell".



At right, Mrs. A. E. Grasott presenting a cup to Mrs. Clifford, ladies tennis singles champion of the Colony.—Newspaper.



The Band, Pipes and Drums of the 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots playing "Retreat" at the Hongkong Cricket Club.—See Cheung.

At left, Miss Roso Pau (Gloria) and Mr. L. Sung (Valentino) in G. B. Shaw's play "You Never Can Tell".



Group photograph taken at the recent Garrison Sergeants' Mess Ball at the Peninsula Hotel.—Mild Yuan.

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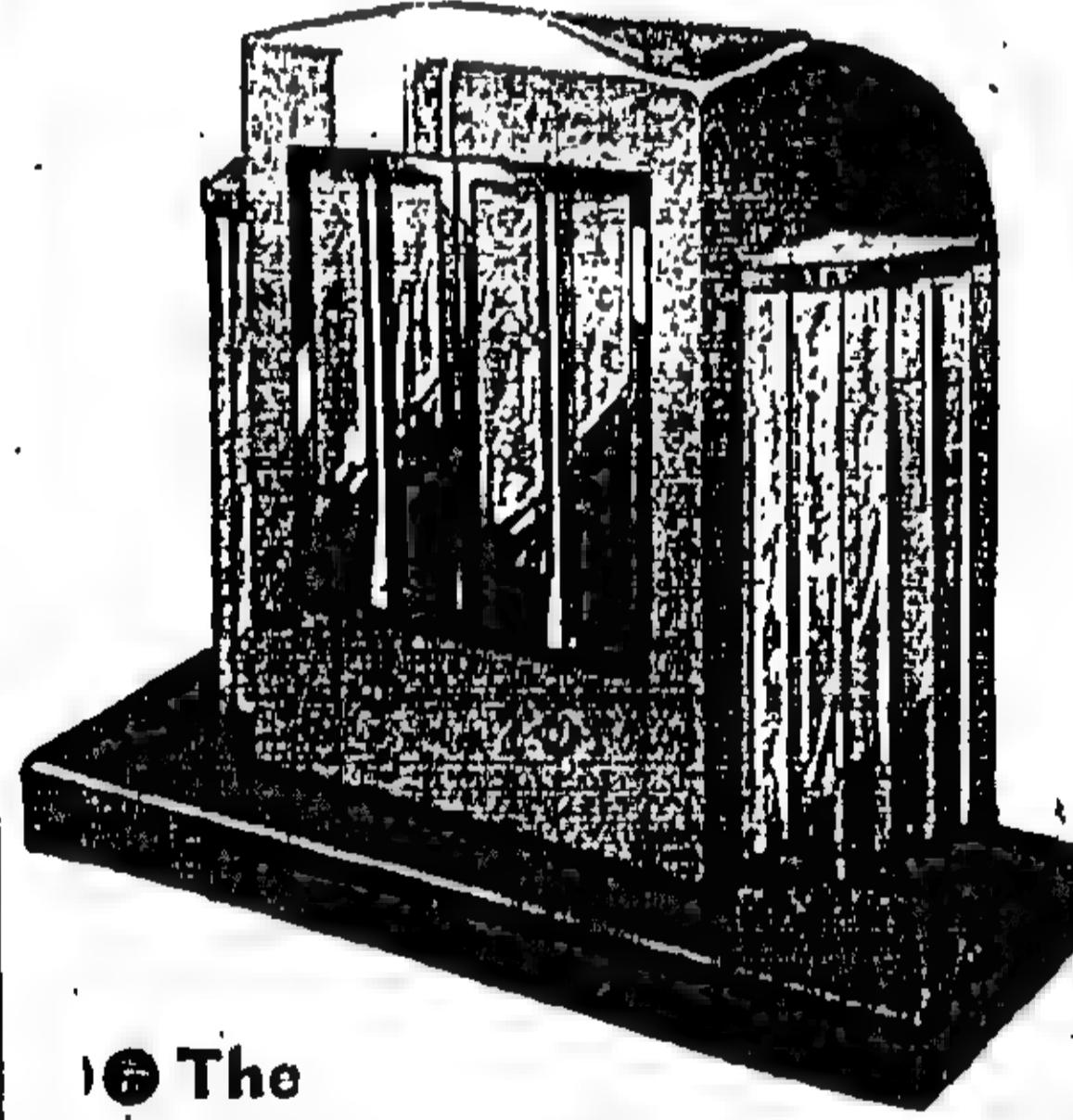
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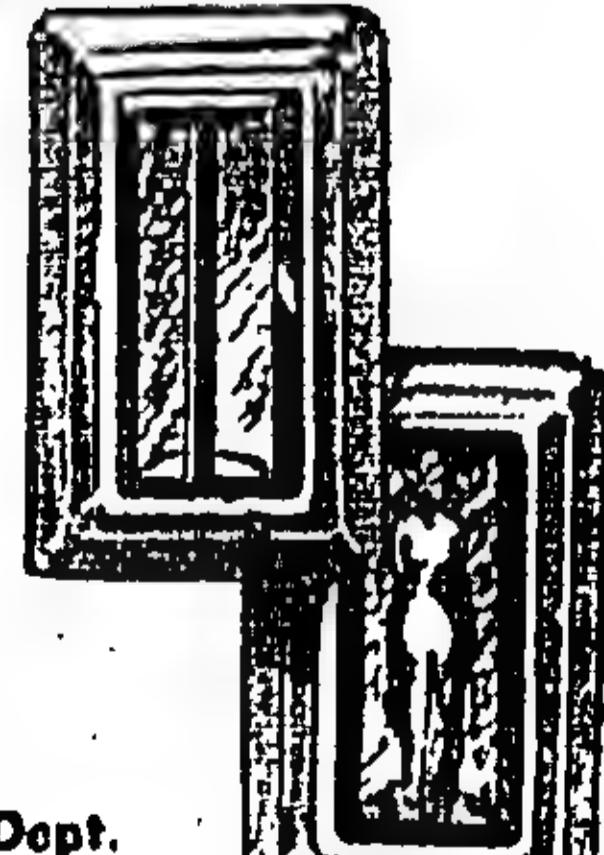
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BADMINTON NOTES

FOUR TEAMS VIE FOR LEAGUE HONOURS IN "B" DIVISION

Quicken Interest Since The New Year

(By "The Bird")

THE badminton season has now gained a quickened rhythm, and with league matches on five nights this week, and the preliminary arrangements for the championships discussed at a meeting of the Association's Council last evening, the game has taken on a perceptible impetus since the start of the new year. While the championships threaten to take pride of place during next month, at present, league struggles remain the chief attraction, and in more than one division the contest for honours has sharply become accentuated.

REFERENCE to current leagues show that in the "B" Division, recent results, far from clarifying the competition for premier honours, have made it even more intense. While St. John's Cathedral, the champions, have suffered two lapses, and have undoubtedly jeopardised their prospects, it would be stupid to regard them as being out of the running. That being so, one must also recognise the outside chances of Chung Wah, who have also dropped only four points from six matches. In fact, I am probably doing Chung Wah an injustice when I describe their championship chances as "outside", for one has to bear in mind that their latest victory of 5-4 was scored over Recreio, who recently had the distinction of taking points from St. John's, and even at their poorest, are a team dangerous to any opposition.

IT is not unreasonable, therefore, to regard the "B" Division as open to one of four teams—Kowloon Tong "A", who have the handsome record of seven matches won out of seven played, St. Andrew's "A", who have dropped two points in nine games, and St. John's and Chung Wah, both of whom have ... two matches. Kowloon Tong are obviously the best placed of the lot, but they have some stiff matches ahead, and if they come through them unbeaten, they will be very, very worth champions. The team is a good one; to that fact any "B" Division side will fervently testify, yet several close observers believe that they are vulnerable, particularly when visiting. Although St. Andrew's still have to visit Kowloon Tong and the Cathedral, I cannot help possessing a sneaking feeling that they will eventually emerge head of the table. The team, as it is at present, is so finely balanced that it is really capable of holding its own very well in more exalted company than it meets in the junior division. The deciding strength of the side is the power of the third pair, which has proved itself capable of turning a match in favour of its team.

WHILE most eyes have been centred on the fascinating "B" Division contest, many have lost sight of the fact that, thanks to their brilliant victory over the champions early this month, University have practically assured themselves of a

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Cricket Notes

OXFORD V. CAMBRIDGE: A FEW REMARKS ON DANGEROUS STROKES

I must apologise for the above heading, that is, if the Editor doesn't cut it out, as it ought to have been "battle of the blues". However, I am particularly tired of that cliché after all these years. There was an exceedingly good game made in the first place in deference to a letter received from lady players requesting the inclusion of a competition for them in the open championships. The Council felt that this was a sufficient intimation that the gender sex would support an event well enough to justify its inclusion in the programme, and thus the competition in Hongkong takes another step forward with the first women's open championship yet staged. The junior championship for men's singles arose from a suggestion put forward at the meeting, in which it was argued, with a considerable amount of truth, that junior players were not encouraged to enter the singles when they knew they would be coming against the Colony's leading exponents. However, although a junior championship has been created, it is dependent upon sufficient entries being received for the senior event, the minimum entries for which was fixed at ten. Should less than 10 enter for the senior event, the two will be merged into one as hitherto, and the juniors will once again have to take pot-luck with the seniors. It should be pointed out that junior players are entitled to enter for both events if they so desire, but that the junior champion-

I observe, with regret, that in this particular article the word "bodyline controversy" was used. The word "bodyline" is only used by Australians, and the M.C.C. repudiated it and called the type of bowling referred to "leg theory". A tremendous lot of nonsense has been talked about this, and everyone seems to forget that when the two celebrated injuries occurred, Woodfull and Oldfield, both batsmen were plumb in front of their wickets when they were hit. It is a little hard to refer to "bodyline" bowling when the ball is going over the top of the middle stump. Anyone who wishes any further information on this subject might read "In Quest of the Ashes", by D. R. Jardine, which was published by Messrs. Hutchinson & Company. Perhaps I have somewhat gone off the score about this, but I do resent any article which may suggest that cricket is a cissy game in which all chance of personal damage must be eliminated.

TO DAY'S GAMES

To-day the Hongkong Cricket Club's first team play the Civil Service in a League match at Happy Valley. According to the paper they have their strongest side out and may just get home! Their second eleven should have very little difficulty in disposing of the Civil Service on the Club Ground. Cramgong are visiting Kowloon in a League, and should give them a very good game as they appear to be at full strength. I see Billimoria is playing. There is the usual return match of the seconds, but there I do not pretend to know what will happen. The Kowloon second, however, have not been doing too well lately, but I feel sure that the match will be adequately reported by a friend of mine in this paper. According to the card, Recreio are

Harvey-Gains Bout Is Recognised

London, Jan. 20. The British Boxing Board of Control has recognised the fight arranged between Len Harvey, the champion, and Larry Gains, the coloured Canadian, at Harringay on March 16, as for the British Empire heavyweight championship.—Reuters.

WIN FOR GALENTO

Newark, Jan. 20. Tony Galento knocked out Jorge Brescias, of the Argentine, in the first round of their ten-round bout. Galento weighed 235 lbs. and Brescias 210.—United Press.

playing a League match against the Army at King's Park, and they too seem to be almost at full strength, though I cannot help feeling two Conasons only is a somewhat small allowance for their side. Their second eleven take on the University at King's Park.

The I.R.C. go up to King's Park

to play the Royal Navy, and

and what manner of side the latter will

have I do not know. I have been

void, with reference to my remarks

last week, that L. S. Smith is not a

regular first eleven man. Anyway

it is all very difficult for the Navy.

The Navy second go to Sookunpoo to

play the I.R.C., and they will have

to go all out if they are going to win.

The I.R.C. are a great deal better

than I thought they were going to be.

And that seems to be that.

TUG-OF-WAR FOR LEE WAI-TONG'S SERVICES

(By "Abe")

There is a tug-of-war between Shanghai and Hongkong for the services of Lee Wai-tong, the Chinese soccer idol, during the Chinese New Year holidays.

Lee Wai-tong has received information (through a telegram received by Sir Shou-son Chow) that the matches arranged in Shanghai in aid of the International Relief Committee, Fund—in which he has promised to turn out—will be played during the Chinese New Year holidays.

But Hongkong will be entertaining the Manila outfit at the same time, and also wants Lee Wai-tong to turn out in the Colony team.

Furthermore, Mr. Wong Ka-tsun, of South China A.A., also expects Lee to take part in the charity match in aid of the British Fund for War Relief in China to be played on February 28.

The Chinese soccer idol hopes to render his services to both Hongkong and Shanghai, but does not see how he can do so if both ports adhere to the present programme. Therefore he has suggested to Sir Shou-son

Chow to wire Shanghai asking them to accommodate the Hongkong authorities by postponing their programme to March 4 and 5.

SHANGHAI SCHEME

The Shanghai scheme is being formulated by the Shanghai F.A. officials of the Canidrome and several prominent local Chinese sportsmen, among them Mr. Bill Sung, former President of the China National Amateur Athletic Federation. Present plans are to hold two games, both between Chinese and foreign teams, February 20 and 21 are the two dates suggested.

The proposed exhibition series was first suggested by the International Relief Committee as a means to raise funds for refugee work. The co-operation of the Canidrome in allowing the series to be held on their ground, and the approval of the Shanghai F.A., made it possible to arrange the series.

PAYNTER SCORES HIS THIRD CENTURY IN TEST SERIES

M.C.C. In Good Position Against South Africans

At the end of the first day's play in the Third Cricket Test between the M.C.C. and South Africa at Durban yesterday, the tourists had scored 373 for the loss of two wickets.

Eddie Paynter, the Lancashire left-hander, scored 197 and was still undefeated at close of play, while Walter Hammond, the English captain, was only one run short of his century.

Rain stopped play twice in the afternoon, the second time with the score at 373 when stumps were drawn.

A crowd of 5,000 saw the start in glorious weather. Winning the toss, Hammond sent Gibb and Hutton in on a wicket perfect for batsmen but the partnership had scored only 38 when Hutton, who had been extremely confident and had made some powerful drives, put his leg in front of a straight one from Gordon and was out for 31. He had batted for 39 minutes and done the bulk of the scoring, for Gibb's contribution was only four. Four shots to the fence were in Hutton's tally.

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The 250 was put up after the 200 had been in progress for 248 minutes, and the 300 in 275 minutes.

The partnership put on 100 runs in 112 minutes. The second hundred was very much faster, taking only 42 minutes.

Ambitious Sports Idea In Japan

Thirteen Large Athletic Grounds Planned

Tokyo, Jan. 12. The Japanese Welfare Ministry plans to build a large public sports ground in each of thirteen cities with a population of more than 100,000, to open a thousand Japanese sports training-halls, and to post physical culture advisers at 1,000 municipalities throughout the Empire.

Each of the sports grounds will be over ten acres in area and open to the general public. They will contain softball parks, sun-bathing lots, awnings and other facilities for both young and old. No stands for spectators will, however, be built.—Reuters.

Badminton Result

In the mixed doubles of the badminton competition last night, Negrelo beat Talco 9-0. W. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat R. Main and Mrs. Mackie 21-13; beat A. Keown and Miss R. Summers 21-9; beat H. G. Gibb and Miss M. R. Summers 21-13; and Miss R. Summers 21-9. G. Pereira and Miss A. C. Remond beat Main and Mrs. Mackie 21-17; beat Keown and Miss Summers 21-17; and Gibbes and Miss Main 21-17.

Both Paynter and Hammond played a well-set field with the greatest of ease.

Rain stopped play with the English total at 338 and again at 373, at which stage stumps were drawn. Paynter had 107 to his credit and Hammond 99.—Reuters.

Scores:

Hutton, 1.b.w., b Gordon 33

^ P. Gibb, c Wade, b Davis 107

Paynter, not out 00

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Total (for 2 wkt.) 373

Fall of wicket—1 (Hutton) for 30

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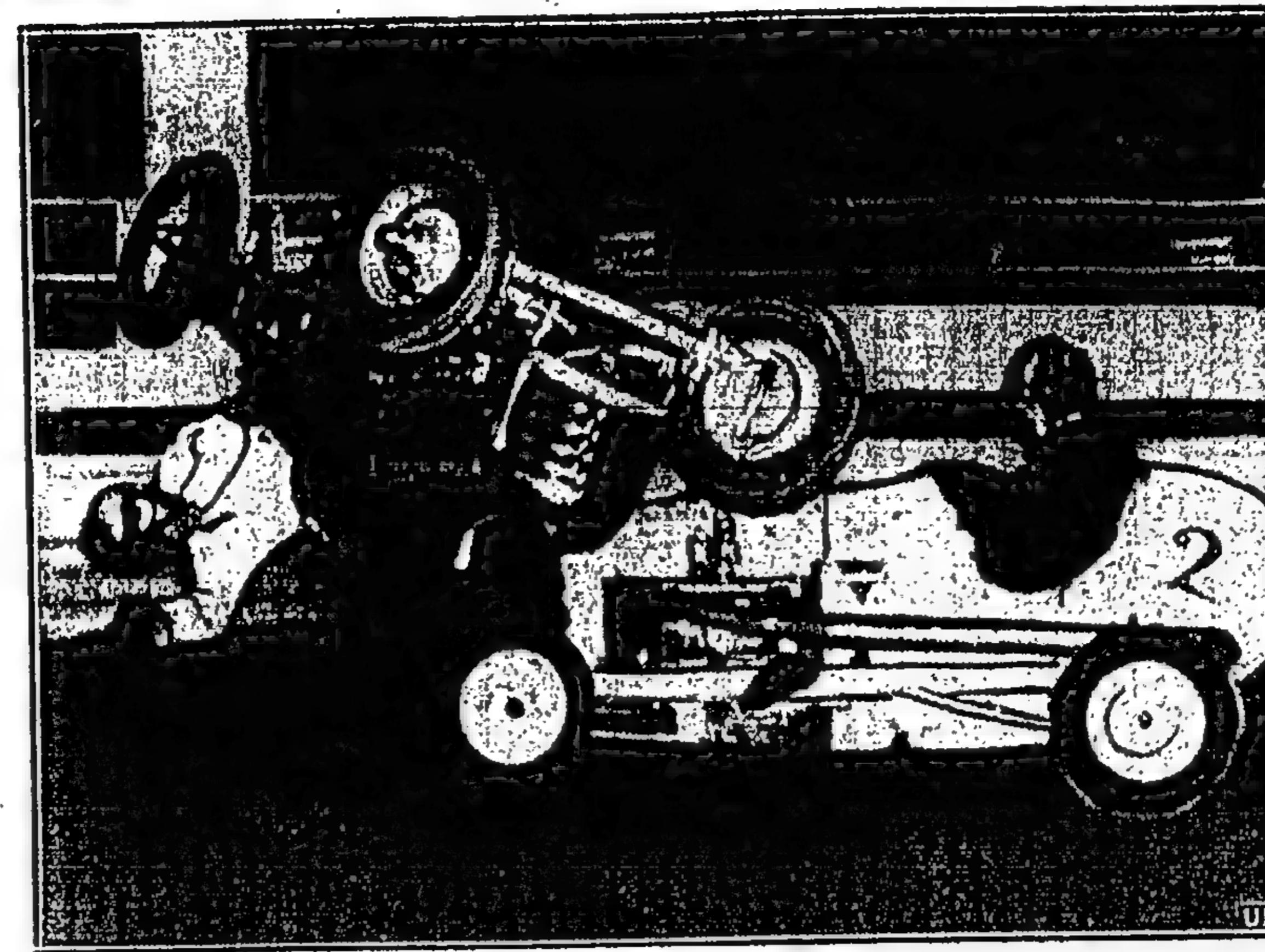
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TO HOSPITAL—Serious crack-up in the last lap of a midget automobile race in Kansas City, Mo., was caught by the cameraman just as the car flipped over on a turn and hurled driver, Danny Armbruster, of St. Louis, into the path of Dan McClusky, Kansas City driver. Armbruster was taken to a hospital in a critical condition. In picture he is shown at left, part way out of his seat, as the car rolls its wheels in the air.

What A Fine Mess These Two Got Into!

PAYNTER SCORES HIS THIRD CENTURY IN TEST SERIES

M.C.C. In Good Position Against South Africans

At the end of the first day's play in the Third Cricket Test between the M.C.C. and South Africa at Durban yesterday, the tourists had scored 373 for the loss of two wickets.

Eddie Paynter, the Lancashire left-hander, scored 197 and was still undefeated at close of play, while Walter Hammond, the English captain, was only one run short of his century.

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NANCY



Splendid Rugby Promised On Club Ground

Lai Wah Cup Matches Chief Interest In Football Programme

(By "Abo")

Chief interest in local soccer over the week-end will be the two Lai Wah Cup matches. One, between the Civilians and the Army, will be played this afternoon on the Kowloon F.C. ground, and the other, between the Chinese and Navy, will be decided tomorrow on the Club ground.

Both matches will start at 3.30 p.m.

In to-day's match, two Army players, Watson and Grogan, of the Middlesex Regiment, who have been turning out in many representative matches during their stay in the Colony, will be playing for the last time here. They are proceeding to England next week.

Both are great favourites with the crowd and there is little doubt that they will be missed when they are gone. Their departure will be a distinct loss to local football. Both would have excellent chances of getting into the Hongkong Interport team against Manila if they were available.

The teams in to-day's game would appear to be well-matched, but it will surprise me if the soldiers do not get through in spite of the fact that there are a few names in the side unfamiliar to followers of senior soccer. The Civilians' defence will

not be strong enough if the military forwards get going.

CHINESE WEAKENED

Unfortunately for the Chinese, the South China A.A. footballers who toured Saigon have not been able to return in time to take the field against the Navy to-morrow. But the Chinese have so many players from whom to choose that they have had no difficulty in assembling together an eleven, who will give the Navy a good run for their money.

Lee Wai-tong will lead the side, and amongst those available are Leung Wing-chiu, Hsu King-shing, Tum Kwan-kon and Hau Ching-to, who

form the nucleus of the side.

Because some of the ships are now away, the Navy will field their full side; but there are enough of the regular players left to make them a most difficult team to beat.

The teams for the Lai Wah Cup matches are as follows:

Civilians.—Coles (Club); Parker

HOCKEY TEAMS FOR TO-DAY

The following will represent the C.B.A. Ladies in their Caer Clark Cup and Brown Cup hockey matches against the Hongkong Ladies and Recreio "A" respectively to-day:

Against Hongkong Ladies on C.B.A. ground at 2.45 p.m.—D. Moss; P.

Whitney; P. Everest; M. Parsons; I.

Woolley; J. Booker; D. Hunt; B.

Stoker; M. White; M. Booker and J.

Ewing.

Against Recreio "A" on Recreio

ground at 3 p.m.—P. MacFayden; L.

Dunn; V. Beaumont; A. Webb; C.

Hone; N. Duckworth; E. Hunt; J.

Crawford; E. Woolley; K. Winch and

B. Louis.

(Police), Ulrich (Kowloon); North (Police), Bliss (Kowloon), Honniball (Kowloon); Pile (Police), Jorge (Kowloon), Fowler (Club), Howlett (Police) and Riersen (Kowloon).

Reserves.—Aitken (Police), Eastman (Kowloon), Brittan (Police), W. Knox and Moss.

Army.—Hartley; Watson and Sheehan; Winstanley; Proctor and Wilkinson; Grogan, Courtney, Munton, Sav and Calvert.

Reserves.—Jackson, Fraser, Rides, Guy, McCullum and Flanders.

Navy.—Hazard; Betts, Still; Honeywell, Dixon, Fisher; Armstrong, Spiller, Hendry, Thoburn and Hunt.

Chinese.—Tam Kwan-kon; Ho Yung-sang and Lee Wai-kuen; Soong Ling-shing, Leung Wing-chiu and Hau King-seng; Chan Bing-to, Cheuk Shek-kam, Lee Wai-tong, Chow Man-chi and Hau Ching-to.

International Games In Nature Of Colony Trial For Interport

(By "Fly-Half")

This afternoon, the winners of the first round of the International Rugby Tournament—England and Scotland—will meet in what promises to be a very exciting match. This game, which will start at 4 p.m., will be preceded by a struggle between the losers in last week's series, Wales and Ireland, who will do their utmost to avoid the wooden spoon.

An incentive for the players to their tussles and should both hold their own. Hutchinson, a keen tackler, will have to keep a careful watch on the long-striding Lang. Both teams are strong in attack with acknowledged weakness in defence. Neither side will obtain any advantage from their wing threes who are all first-rate men and well-matched. Teams:

England.—Lt. Catlow (Medway); D. I. Bosanquet (Club), H. D. Bidwell (Club) (Captain), P. O. Askwith (Dainty), Lt. Walters (Medway); Sgt. Lang (R.A.O.C.), Lt. Talbot (Medway); Spr. Appleby (R.E.), K. W. Salter (Club), Gnr. Evans (5th. A.A.), Pte. Berry (Mdxs.), W. E. Peers (Club), Lt. Oglo (Medway), Lt. D'Oyley (R.S.) and J. Redman (Club).

Scotland.—J. T. Brown (Club); D. H. Stewart (Club), W. E. Greive (Club), L/C. Bee (R.S.), F. O. Thomas (Eagle); J. Hutchinson (Club); J. R. Henderson (Club); Lt. Cuthbertson (R.S.) (Captain), J. S. Dunnett (Club), K. A. Watson (Club), L/C. Sutherland (R.S.), Pte. Coombe (R.S.), Lt. Anderson (Medway), A. J. G. Taylor (Club) and Lt. Crawford (R.C.S.).

Ireland.—M. W. MacGrath (Club); H. van Leeuwen (Club), D. Hynes (Club), Surg. Lt. Ellis (Medway), L. S. Stead (Eagle); Lt. Potter (Diana), Lt. Drew-Wilkinson (R.S.); Pte. Boudred (R.A.O.C.), Lt. Cmdr. Browne (Medway) (Captain), Pte. Richardson (Seaford), E. W. Stout (Club), Sub. Lt. Hain (Eagle), L/Sgt. Page (5th. A.A.), Lt. St. John (Medway) and Ldr. Tel. Swan (Eagle).

Wales.—Cpl. Lewis (8th. Heavy); Bdr. Freer, (8th. Heavy), Gnr. Richards (8th. Heavy), E. R. A. Swadling (Eagle), H. F. Huchess, Lt. Chapman (Medway); A. F. Wallden (Club) (Captain), Shipwright Staples (Eagle), Lt. Griffiths (Medway), Bdr. Bevan (8th. Heavy), Lt. Boddington (Medway), Gnr. Hall (8th. Heavy), C. M. Stark (Club) and Bdr. Whitehead (8th. Heavy).

STEVENS DROPS OUT

Stevens, who is in a class of his own as far as full backs are concerned in this Colony, has dropped out; his place is to be taken by Lt. Catlow, who is a newcomer to representative rugby here. Bosanquet takes the place of Chadwick, a fellow Club player, as outside to Bidwell. He is an evasive runner with good turn of speed. Elliott still cleats to rest, so England are fortunate in having such a capable substitute in Lang to fill the stand-off half position. The latter was outstanding in last Saturday's game against Ireland. Salter is available for this afternoon's game and should greatly increase England's chances of getting the ball back to the threes. Dancer will threaten Scotland every time either Bidwell or Askwith gains possession.

Much will depend on Scotland's back row forwards and halves, for should these players prevent the ball from getting out to the English threes, they will have gone a long way to give their side victory. In Anderson and Crawford, Scotland possesses two dashing wing forwards who are generally well up with the play. Incidentally, Crawford is a brother of the Scottish Internationalist.

Talbot and Henderson will resume

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By Order of the Stewards, C. B. BROWN, Secretary, Hongkong, 16th January, 1939.

ENDORsing recent sentiments expressed by my colleague "Spectator," may I also emphasize the desirability, almost necessity, of intending competitors sending in their entries at the earliest possible

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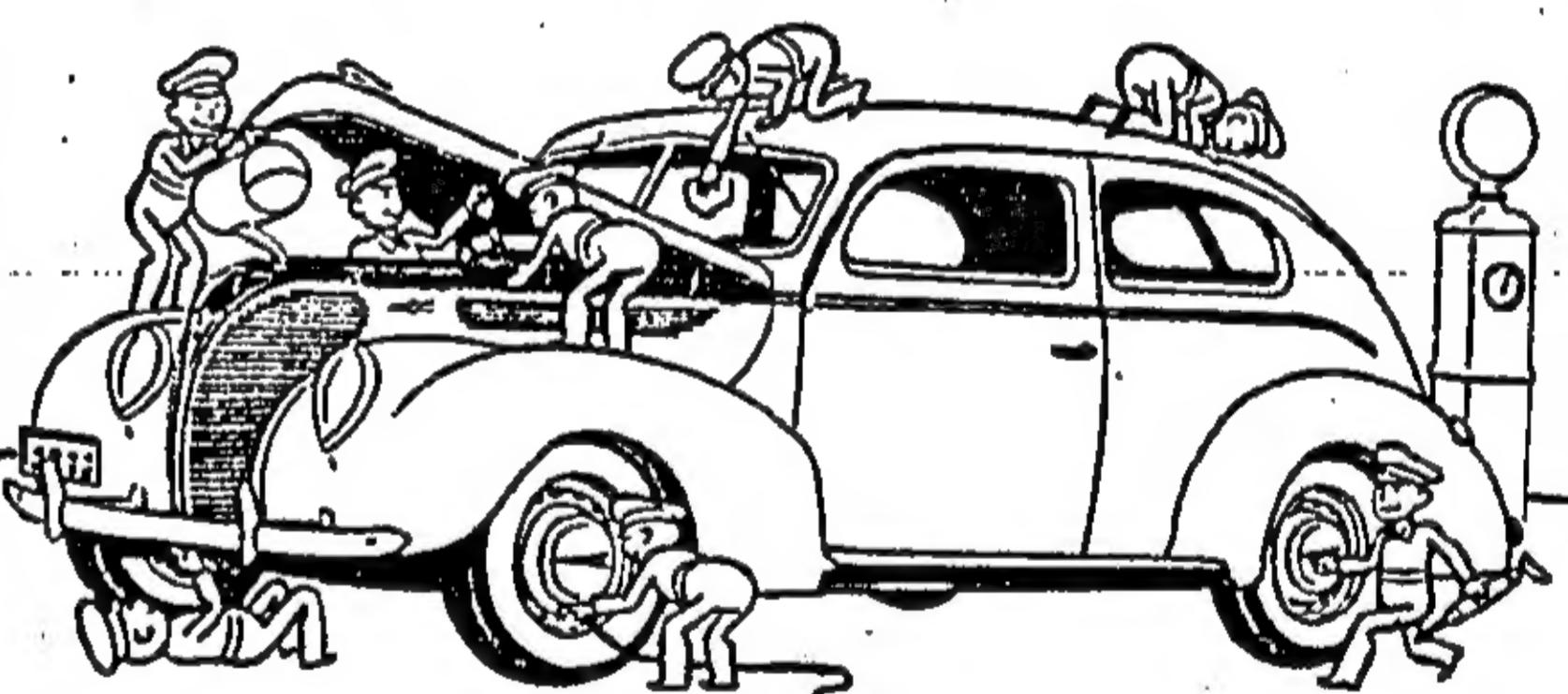
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moment, and not to wait so long that time even though it means a poorly supported competition. Perhaps the Badminton Association will assert itself, if need be, in this direction this year. There is positively no excuse for late entries, and if competitors only realized that it was to their own benefit to get their entries in as early as possible, perhaps the lagging behind would not be so frequent. Anyhow, here's hoping there will be a record entry, and a tournament of thrills and fine displays surpassing previous champion-



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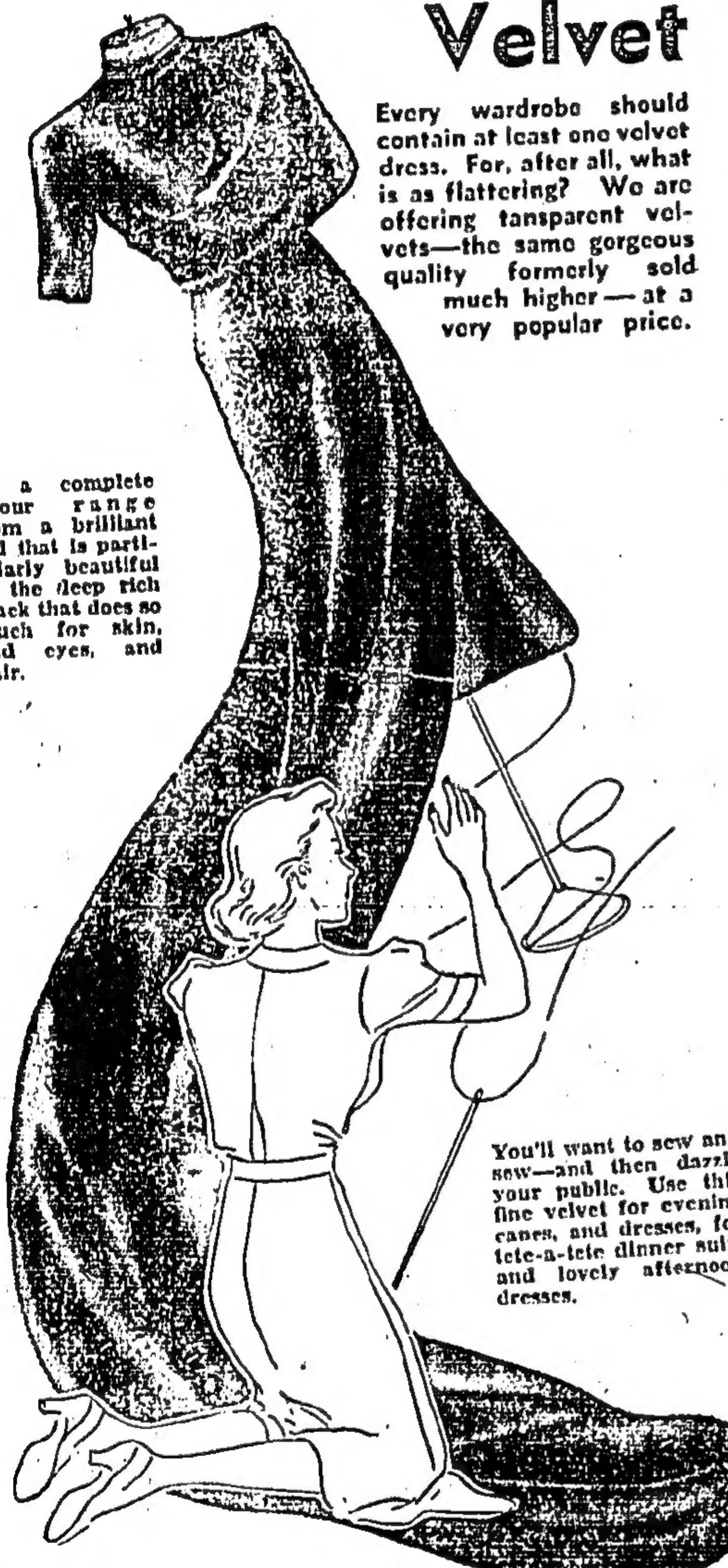
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ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY

Governor and Lady Northcote At Englishmen's Annual Ball

Beefeaters and the Red Tudor Rose were the prevailing note at the Peninsula Hotel yesterday evening, when the annual Ball of the local St. George's Society was held with all its old-time custom and ceremonial.

H.E. the Governor and Lady Northcote were the guests of the President, the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, at a dinner attended by leading citizens and officials in surroundings redolent of ancient cities and honoured crests.

To this atmosphere the excellent decorations contributed to a great extent, but the menu, the popular venue "George and the Dragon", and the costumed ushers, were in keeping with traditional English feasts.

A large number of members of the Society and their guests attended the function, and were unanimous in congratulating the Decorations Committee on the fine result they had achieved. The facade of the Hotel was floodlit in red and across it in gigantic letters glowed the words "St. George for England".

When the Yoomen with their flat hats and long pikes had been admirably passed, the dancers found themselves in the Rose Room and the Roof Garden, hung with the crests of famous English cities. Plaques of Tudor Roses lined the walls, and from the centre of the ceiling was suspended a magnificent picture of a fifteenth century ship in full sail.

The dais was magnificently displayed, with furniture draped with the banners of St. George, whilst behind it a large figure of the Patron Saint stood out in sharp relief between the flags of St. George. The crest of the City of London was adorned with the red, white and blue ensigns, and the tableau was floodlit to show it to the best effect.

On the first floor, where the President entertained his party, suitable decorations had also been prepared, the place of honour being given to the Crest of Oxford from which City the President halls.

In the supper room there was another large figure of the Patron Saint. The chief bar bore the familiar sign "George and The Dragon," and was hung with pictures of beauty spots and traditional scenes of England.

The following cities were represented in the decoration: London, Oxford, Shrewsbury, Southampton, Bristol, Chatham, Carlisle, Windsor, Wolverhampton, Winchester, Hull, Leicester, Bournemouth, Dover, Ipswich, Lancaster, Burton on Trent, Hanley, Brighton, Birkenhead, Bir-

mingham, Leeds, Middlesbrough, Bath, Gravesham, Penzance, Hereford, Bradford, Grantham, Hastings, Liverpool, Cambridge, Devonport, Wakefield, Warrington, Westminster, Hertford, Worcester, Guildford, Plymouth, Ilfracombe, Bideford, Nottingham, Blackpool, Northampton, Derby.

Dinner Party

The President's dinner party was held on the first floor, when the following were present: His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote, His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor and Lady MacGregor, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Southard, Commodore and Mrs. E. B. C. Dickey, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Mrs. Smith and Miss R. Smith, Brigadier and Mrs. A. B. Thomson, Sir Vandeleur Grayburn and Miss Grayburn, Col. and Mrs. N. M. S. Irwin, Capt. C. B. Barry, R.N. and Mrs. Barry, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Potter, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. B. Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. MacGregor, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kay, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Taggart, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Winter, Mrs. D. Wardle, Mr. P. A. Cox, Miss R. Vickers, The Misses Dodwell, Mr. R. K. Valentine, Mr. H. MacGregor, Mr. David Humphreys, Capt. S. H. Battye-Smith, Lieut. J. P. Gunner, R.N., Mr. G. Treverton, Mr. A. Sommerfelt.

The toast to England was proposed by the Hon. Mr. Dodwell, who said: "When Kipling wrote those five verses in his "Actions and Reactions", he which he called "The Puzzler", he must have written them especially for the benefit of the Presidents of St. George's Societies, for these occasions, to help them break the ice, and put our Scottish, our Welsh, and our Eire-Ish guests, as well as

our guests from Ulster, in a happy and contented frame of mind. Most of you will remember them:

"The Celt in all his variants from

Buith to Ballyhoo,

His mental processes are plain—

one knows what he will do,

And can logically predicate his

finish by his start;

But the English—ah, the English—

they are quite a race apart.

Their psychology is bovine, their

outlook crude and raw.

They abandon vital matters to be

flicked with a straw,

But the straw that they were flicked

with—the chaff that they were

fed with—

They convert into a weaver's beam

to break their foeman's head

with.

For undemocratic reasons and for

motives not of State,

They arrive at their conclusions—

largely inarticulate.

Being void of self-expression they

confide their views to none;

But sometimes in a smoking-room,

one learns why things were

done.

Yes, sometimes in a smoking-room,

through clouds of "Ers" and

"Ums".

Obliquely and by inference ill-

lumination comes,

On some step that they have taken,

or some action they approve—

Embellished with the argot of the

Upper Fourth Remove,

In telegraphic sentences, half

nodded to their friends,

They hint a matter's inwardness,

and there the matter ends.

And while the Celt is talking from

Valencey to Kirkwall,

The English—ah, the English—

don't say anything at all!"

Out of Ireland

And now of course you will all

expect the President "being void of

self-expression" to sit down, without

further ado. Unfortunately for us

all, years ago, in the dim and distant

past, my forebears were buried out

of Ireland (as it was then called)

either for being too much for or too

much against the Government—

which, has never been clear—and I

seem to have inherited a dash of

Irish which has rendered me slightly

less inarticulate than the average

Englishman, particularly when sur-

rounded by so many friendly Celts, all securely muzzled. (Laughter) Kipling realised, when he wrote those lines, that the beginning of all wisdom in people and in nations is to be able to laugh at themselves. It is a gift so precious that if only the Almighty had distributed it equally amongst all nations, we should have been spared much of the trouble in the world to-day, and that Utopian relationship, called the Brotherhood of Nations, would have emerged long ago from the land of make-believe into the realms of reality.

Two English of course have the faculty developed to a very high degree, but for not by any means to the same extent as our Scottish neighbours.

They have reduced it to a fine art that the thousand and one stories of the Aberdonian tell about themselves not only provide a fund of amusement for all of us, but the

they are gradually eradicating the very trait in the Scottish character they.

Of all the stories emanating from

Aberdeen, perhaps the best is the

sequel to Sandy MacPherson's visit to

London to see a specialist about his

heart.

Youdy booked from station to station

in case his heart gave out on the

way up to London.

When hedy was warned by a friend

that the specialist's fee was

was five guineas for the first visit and

two guineas for subsequent ones, with

the result that Sandy entered the

specialist's consulting room in that

jaunty debonair manner so charac-

teristic of the Aberdonian, and

brandishing two guineas, greeted the

specialist with a cheery "Here we

are again, Doc".

The specialist eyed him

him suspiciously, but nevertheless

overhauled Sandy with meticulous

care, and then pocketing the two

guineas, told him to carry on with

the treatment he had recommended

on his first visit. The specialist also

hailed from Aberdeen. (Laughter)

Ever since the honour of the Pre-

idency was conferred upon me, I

have spent many a long weary hour

in the Club library (Laughter)—not

as you surmise, in the armchair—

but in the archives, searching for

something to the credit of our Patron

Saint, with which to refute him

by some of my predecessors. Un-

happily, my search was unavailing.

It disclosed that St. Andrew, St.

Patrick and St. David are all well

established in mythology. If not in

history, as godly men, but all the

evidence points to St. George having

really been the somewhat dissolute

fellow of the adventurer type that

my predecessors described him.

Nevertheless, with that innate con-

trariness of us astonishing English,

we adopted him, and who shall say

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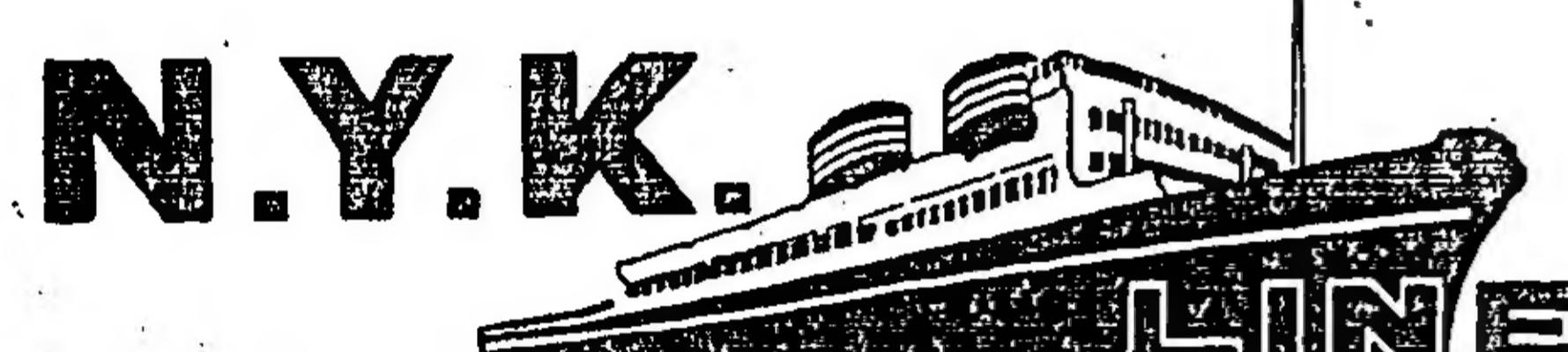
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ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY

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our judgment was at fault? He has stain our dragons for us throughout the ages, and will continue to slay them provided that we see to it that his armour is the best we can provide, up-to-date and fit in every way to cope with the dragons of to-day.

World's Dragons

For, strange as it may seem, in these enlightened, highly developed days, with their much vaunted standard of culture and education, the world's dragons are a far more fearsome breed than ever they were in the ignorant days of chivalry.

But Patron Saints have other uses than merely slaying dragons. A really popular Patron Saint is a great national asset, especially to democracies, for often quite a lot of wise and far-sighted things can be done in the name of a popular Patron Saint that cannot be done under some of the disabilities democracies are heir to. It has always been a mystery to me why that great democratic nation, the United States of America, has never yet discovered her Patron Saint. She is, of all nations, the one that needs a Patron Saint. She loves everything that is old, and indeed almost everything that is old has already found its way to her hospitable shores. Sometimes I even suspect her of coveting St. George, but as we cannot possibly part with him, and as it is rumoured that she is likely to become the standard-bearer for democracy, it is quite true she did something about a Patron Saint.

Curiously enough, on New Year's Eve, a little incident occurred which raised my hopes that at last she was beginning to recognise her responsibilities in this matter.

I had just arrived at the Peak Club fancy dress dance, disguised as a Turkish diplomat, complete with harem. (Laughter.) I was wondering, amidst all the merriment, over what 1939 might have in store for us, when to my astonishment my hand was warmly shaken by a figure representing the very embodiment of my idea of what America's Patron Saint should look like. It turned out to be none other than Addison Southard, America's popular Consul-General, who modestly protested that he was merely Friar Tuck. I shall always refuse to believe him and continue to regard that coincidence as one of happiest omen. (Laughter.)

Of course, I do not presume to know whether this distinguished son of America is really seeking such drastic promotion, (laughter)—but from our point of view, America might search a long time and not find a more worthy candidate. Admittedly, for our peculiar taste, he is probably not quite dissolute enough, (laughter)—but on the other hand he is undoubtedly of the adventurer type. Having served his country in so many parts of the world, we could count upon him not to bury himself away in saintly isolation in some remote corner of the Middle West, sitting on a fence waiting to see what happens to the rest of the world. (Laughter.)

Our American friends might think over my suggestion of a Patron Saint. It's not so fantastic as it sounds, and of one thing at least they may be sure. St. George would extend to him a cordial welcome into the ranks of the Calendar of Saints.

New Year Message

In conclusion, let me make my peace with those more serious-minded members of our Society, who, expecting from their President an independent and considerate resume of world affairs, have been so bitterly disappointed. I make them my apologies, but I'm afraid, in my repentant mood, I would remind them that our sense of humour, our ability to maintain it and keep smiling, no matter what the conditions, has always been our greatest asset in times of trouble and always will be.

I therefore, echo His Excellency's New Year message. Let us lift up our hearts. Let us, if we want to, go to the "Grips" and have a good time, provided always that we also come to that other kind of grips—to grips with realities. For at this period in our history no member of the Empire can afford to under-rate the grave responsibilities imposed upon every one of us by the difficulties of the times we live in. Unhappily, not all the dragons of to-day are outside our own dominions. Far too many of them are within it, and perhaps the two most subtle and dangerous of them all are apathy and drift. St. George cannot slay those beasts for us. That is our job, and it is a job we must faithfully perform before we can satisfy our consciences that we are contributing our bit to the cause of Freedom and Justice, and so earning for ourselves the right to Praise. The Prime Minister is so earnestly working for it. It is in a spirit of determination to accept those responsibilities and fulfil them that we will all now drink to the Toast of our Homeland—England. (Applause.)

The toast was taken with acclamation.

Entry into Ballroom

The official entry of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote to the Ballroom was made at 1.30 p.m., when a procession headed by the Beefeater proceeded along the passage into the Rose Room, where the National Anthem was played. Mrs. Dodwell and Lady Northcote were greeted by the guests, who then enjoyed an excellent programme of dance music.

Sir Roger de Coverley was danced just before supper, the official act comprising: The President and Lady Northcote, His Excellency the Governor and Mrs. Dodwell, Vice-President Mr. Bousfield and Lady MacGregor, Commodore E. B. C. Dicken and Mrs. Dicken, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith and Mrs. Smith, Lt.-Col. H. B. L. Smith and Mrs. Smith, Mr. E. Cock and Mrs. Cock, Mr. T. E. Pearce and Mrs. Pearce, Mr. G. C. Perdue and Mrs. Perdue, Mr. A. W. Hughes and Mrs. Hughes, Mr. G. S. Archibald and Mrs. Archibald, Mr. F. B. Bellamy and Mrs. Bellamy, Mr. R. A. W. Cornish and Mrs. Cornish, Mr. W. A. Cornish and Mrs. Cornish, Mr. V. C. Lubrum and Mrs. Lubrum, Mr. P. S. Cassidy and Mrs. Cassidy, Mr. J. D. Dunby and Mrs. Dunby.

ART EXHIBITION

Local Preliminary To London Show

The Hongkong Working Artists' Guild announced that arrangements are under way for an exhibition of old Chinese paintings by famous masters, to be held in London in the near future, and that a preliminary show of these will be held on January 30, and 31, and February 1, in the Board Room of the South China Morning Post Building.

THE TEMPLE OF INTER REALITIES

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markable feats with swords, knives, spears, axes, iron bars, etc., to the intense wonder of the crowd, utterly amazed as to how these patently ignorant youths could become so adept in a difficult art, in which apparently they had never been instructed.

It is understood that the exhibits will include work by masters as well as Chan Tze Chien of the Sun Dynasty (A. D. 581-617), Li Su Hsun, Wu Tao Tze, T

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LATE NEWS

"Slap At United States," Claim

Washington, Jan. 20.
Herr Walter Funk's appointment as
President of the Reichsbank is termed
by a high department official here as
a "slap at the United States."Other officials said that Herr Funk
was "noted for his animosity towards
the United States."The general comment of com-
merce departments here on Dr.
Schucht's "dismissal" was that the
change had no real bearing on
German-American trade, because Dr.
Schucht had long ago been only a
"figurehead," and that Germany was
already doing everything she could
to curtail trade with the United
States.It was predicted, however, that
despite Germany's efforts to diminish
purchases from the United States,
such necessities as cotton, petroleum,
copper, lead, and phosphates would
continue to be bought here because
Germany needs them badly.—
ReutersForeign Property
Damaged In
Kuling RaidNanchang, Jan. 21.
Considerable damage was done to
tourism property during the Japanese
severa raid on Kuling, famous summer
resort in north Kiangsi, on
January 16, according to reports re-
ceived here. It was the first raid to
be made on the famed health resort.Several bombs landed in mission-
ary residences and churches.The foreign missions concerned
have telephoned to their respective
consulates to protest against the
Japanese bombing.Though indignant Chinese civilians
of Kuling remain calm,Meanwhile, the Japanese are in-
tensifying their attack on the Chi-
nese guerrillas guarding the summer
resort. Fighting is going on at
Changchishan, southwest of Kuling,
and other points in the neighbour-
hood.—Central News.

Insurgent Drive

Lerida, Jan. 20.
During the past 24 hours, the In-
surgents have occupied 36 villages on
the Catalan front, and some advance
posts in the different sectors are only
50 kilometres from Barcelona.Barcelona's third defence line is
already under fire.General Garcia Valiño announced
to-day the capture of Calaf, which
means Maresma, the occupation of
which would further threaten the
entrenchment of Barcelona.—United
Press.NEW BOOM DEFENCE
SHIP ARRIVESThe new boom defence ship *Bulwark* has
arrived in Hongkong after a slow
passage from England.She will shortly undergo trials, before
being handed over to the Admiralty in Hongkong.

"Killed In Action"

ROME, Jan. 20.
A list of 177 Italian legionaries killed
in action in the fighting in
Catalana was published in Rome to-
day.
